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## Wabash Plain Dealer's new office now open

The Wabash Plain Dealer's new office is now open on the second floor at 99 W. Canal St.

## Paradise Spring to hold annual meeting, soup supper

Paradise Spring will hold its annual meeting and soup supper carry-in at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 22 in the multi-purpose room of the Wabash County Historical Museum, 36 E. Market St. The meal is free but reservations are appreciated and should be made by Monday, Jan. 20. For more information, call 260-571-2879.

## Red Cross plans blood donation opportunity for Jan. 22

The Red Cross has planned a blood donation opportunity from 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 22 at Richvalley Community Center, 56 W. Mill St.

## Experience the 'Silence of a Winter's Night'

Enjoy the "Silence of a Winter's Night" from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25 at Salamonie Lake's Upper Wabash Interpretive Services, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. The cost is \$10 per person, and space is limited. Advance registration is required by calling 260-468-2127.

## Pastor to be honored for 15 years of service

Pastor Robert Rensberger began his service as pastor

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# Juggling acts

Multi-talented performer Mark Nizer bringing two different shows to town

By **ROB BURGESS**  
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

A true Renaissance man, Mark Nizer is scheduled to perform two very different shows in Wabash this week.

The first show, "Science-plosion," is set to begin at 10 a.m. and noon Wednesday, Jan. 22 at the Honeywell Center's Ford Theater. All tickets are \$10.

"Have you ever wondered why science works? How do we know what is true and what isn't? How does a laser work? What is gravity? 'Science-plosion' will take you on a journey through time and space to figure it all out," stated a press release. "Using multimedia, juggling, lasers and more, Nizer demonstrates how science works and how to determine what is true and what is not. Nizer combines his passion for science education with his love of performing to present a unique curriculum-based learning experience that both educates and entertains."

The second show, "Mark Nizer's 4-D Theatre," is set to begin at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 23 at the Ford Theater. Tickets are \$15 and \$25.

"Imagine a concert experience that blends light, sound, and color to create a multidimensional 4-D feast for the eyes," stated a press release. "Throw in world-class juggling, outrageous humor, and unexpected technology and you have Nizer's one-of-a-kind show. Winner of the prestigious International Juggling Championships, Nizer presents an evening spellbinding entertainment for all ages."

In a recent phone interview, Nizer took the time to discuss his career beginnings, coaching other jugglers and combining different talents.

### Career beginnings

Nizer said he took his stage name because people had trouble with it.

"Same pronunciation, but my real name is Neisser, but no one could ever pronounce it or spell it correctly, so for work I use the



Provided photo

**JUGGLING:** Mark Nizer is scheduled to perform two very different shows in Wabash this week.

Nizer name," he said.

Nizer said he started juggling in middle school.

"My mom thought my twin sister and my brother and I had too much energy and she signed us up for a juggling class," he said. "As soon as I learned, I loved it. It turned on something in the brain. They both learned as well and can do some stuff, but I became obsessed with it."

Nizer said as he began juggling more and more balls at once, he found there were different systems for keeping the balls in the air.

"They're two separate systems," he said. "One is a crossing pattern. And then when you get into four, six, eight, 10, those are typically separate hand patterns or a weird crossing pattern. So, five would be similar to three. Seven would be similar to three. Four balls is a big jump from three."

Nizer said the biggest jump was from four to five balls.

"Five is an enormous jump from four or three,"

he said. "It's a much different world when you get into the bigger number of stuff. Even five, which doesn't sound like much, definitely shows a years-long commitment if someone's doing five balls or five clubs. And then crazy commitments like I juggle five rings while bouncing a soccer ball on my head. That just shows mental illness, possibly."

Nizer said balls are easiest to juggle, but he's done much more than that.

"Anything like a sword or an Indian club or whatever have a rotational component to it that the balls don't. So now you have a whole another calculation of rotation, side to side, as well as the height, front-back connections. It adds a whole another dimension," he said. "I think probably the most dangerous thing I did was juggling while hang gliding. But, nobody was really in danger. Because I was over a national forest at the time, and I was juggling oranges. So, there were no people below me. I

was above 3,000 feet."

Nizer said his most dangerous performance involved juggling with sharks while wearing a weight belt due to the extra buoyancy of the saltwater.

"There are 15 sharks all swimming around me. They fed them before I jumped in," he said.

### Combining talents

Nizer said he enjoys mixing different mediums in her performances UV light, video and lasers.

"We use special glasses that shift color as far as your perception goes. So, it's kind of like a 3-D movie, except it's the fourth dimension in the sense that red color moves forward and blue goes back and green is in the center," he said.

Nizer said despite all this, he's still most proud of his stand-up comedy.

"That's what people come back to on the show is that's where the entertainment comes from is being funny

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# Weather, holidays contribute to blood shortage

Red Cross urgently needs donors as critical type O blood deficiency reported

By **ROB BURGESS**  
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

The American Red Cross has extended its urgent call for donors of all blood types to give blood or platelets, according to Rodney J. Wilson, external communications manager.

"In the last month and a half, about 74 blood drives across the country have been canceled due to winter weather, which has resulted in approximately 2,000 uncollected blood donations. That includes two blood drives in Indiana representing about 65 donations uncollected," stated Wilson on Monday, in response to a Plain Dealer request. "In addition, during the holiday weeks of Christmas and New Year's Day, about 500 fewer blood drives were held compared to an average non-holiday week, due to many companies not being able to host during the holidays. These factors, along with many regular donors exhibiting cold or flu symptoms and needing to delay their donations, has contributed to the current critical need."

The following blood donation opportunities have been scheduled in Wabash County:

■ 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 22 at the Richvalley Community Center,

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# 85 HOPE looks back at 2019

North Manchester site opened in November

### By STAFF REPORT

In their annual report, 2019 deemed was a "pivotal" year for 85 HOPE Free Medical Clinic of Wabash County, according to a press release.

Spaulding shared a few highlights from her end-of-the-year board report, "85 HOPE Medical Clinic: 2019 At-A-Glance":

■ Participated as a site for the Point-in-Time Homelessness Count in January.

■ Hosted two "Pap Parties," one each in Wabash and North Manchester, serving 51 Wabash County women.

■ Partnered with BrightPoint to offer free healthcare navigation to clients.

■ Hosted Francine's Friends Mobile Mammography Unit.

■ Secured two rooms at the Town Life Center in North Manchester for a second clinic site and re-purposed the space into a clinic.

■ Handed out orders for 73 free mammograms to Wabash County women during October Mammo Month.

■ Attended multiple Wabash County events including Founder's Day, Chair Affair, Manchester FunFest, Chili Cook-Off, Manchester HarvestFest, First Fridays and Timbercrest

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# Walorski files for 2020 re-election

Her campaign raised more than \$360K during the fourth quarter of 2019

### By STAFF REPORT

Rep. Jackie Walorski, R-Indiana, filed for re-election Tuesday to continue representing Indiana's 2nd District in Congress, according to a press release.

"As a lifelong Hoosier, I'm grateful to be able to fight for the hardworking people of Indiana's 2nd District," Walorski stated. "Politicians in Washington are trying to divide the country with a radical agenda and a partisan impeachment charade, but I'm staying focused on what matters. That's why I'm committed to working with President Trump to build

on our nation's economic momentum, keep our country safe, fight for our veterans, and make sure working families have a chance to achieve the American Dream. Hoosiers know I'll always stand up for our shared values and fight for farmers, manufacturers, small businesses, workers, veterans, servicemembers, and families across northern Indiana. I look forward to talking with my fellow Hoosiers about how we can keep working together to build a brighter future and a stronger America."

Walorski's campaign raised more than \$360,000 during the fourth quarter of 2019 – the most the campaign has ever raised in the final quarter of a non-election year – bringing total

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# Holcomb files for 2020 re-election

Governor makes 2020 ballot with signatures collected from all 92 counties

### By STAFF REPORT

Gov. Eric Holcomb officially filed his candidacy for re-election as Indiana's governor Tuesday, filing petition signatures from Hoosiers in all of Indiana's 92 counties to earn a place on the 2020 ballot, according to a press release.

To make a gubernatorial primary ballot in Indiana, candidates are required to collect 500 signatures from registered voters in each of Indiana's nine congressional districts. Holcomb's campaign collected more than 9,000 signatures by October 2019 – double the requirement – which is the

fastest signature collection in recent memory. The campaign then filed the signatures with Clerks of Circuit Courts at courthouses and government offices in every Indiana county on Jan. 8 and 9, the first two days of local signature filing.

The announcement follows news last week that Holcomb closed out 2019 in a record financial position, with \$7.25 million cash on hand. This is more than any previous Indiana governor's cash on hand going into their reelection year. His campaign account, combined with the accounts of Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana Republican Party, ended the year with \$8.61 million cash-on-hand – also topping historical benchmarks for this point in the gubernatorial cycle.



# Challenges for public following impeachment, Weinstein cases

By **DAVID BAUDER**  
AP Media Writer

NEW YORK — Americans who want to follow President Donald Trump’s impeachment saga and Hollywood mogul Harvey Weinstein’s rape trial through the media will sit in obstructed seats.

Both events begin in earnest this week – with Senate arguments over Trump’s impeachment beginning Tuesday and opening statements in the Weinstein case Wednesday. Both have been the subject of behind-the-scenes wrangling over media access.

Far from an esoteric exercise, the limited media access affects what the public is able to see and, just as importantly, who controls the narrative.

C-SPAN, joined by the other major television networks, objects to the Senate’s plan to essentially allow only two camera views of the impeachment trial from the Senate floor. One would focus on whoever is speaking at the time and the other would be a wider shot of the Senate itself, said Terry Murphy, C-SPAN’s vice president of programming, on Monday.

More camera shots are generally permitted during special events, but not in this case, he said.

It means, for example, that pictures of how individual senators are reacting to testimony, what groups gather together for informal confabs, or any demonstrations that may take place will generally go missing. The Senate will be the arbiter of what pictures go out, Murphy said.

“The citizen who gets to sit in the gallery gets a lot better view than the person sitting inside the living room at home,” Murphy said. “All we ask is that the person watching from home get the same view.”

Restrictions on reporters who sit in the press gallery, including having to go through metal detectors to enter and not being allowed to transmit messages electronically while there, may minimize the immediate value of having those eyes on sight.

“Can anyone name a time when free flow of information is more important than when impeachment

is the issue and the nation is bitterly divided?” said Tom Bettag, a veteran news producer who now teaches journalism at the University of Maryland. “For any one side to try to control the news can only inflame the situation.”

Typically, reporters have generous access to politicians in the hallways outside. Most senators are keen to talk, although the reaction of Arizona Sen. Martha McSally last week, who called CNN’s Manu Raju a “liberal hack” when he tried to ask her a question, illustrate these are fraught times.

For the public and politicians, information gleaned from these conversations can fill in the blanks about what is happening behind the scenes and how testimony was being taken.

So journalists were alarmed when initial rules were put in place that would pen in reporters directly outside the Senate chamber and chill attempts at conversations. There’s been some progress loosening those rules; reporters were assured Monday that Capitol police would no longer try to break up any interviews they saw in Capitol hallways, as happened late last week, said Sarah Wire, a reporter for the Los Angeles Times and chair of the Standing Committee on Correspondents, which is responsible for credentialing reporters.

“It is one of the most important moments in American history,” Wire said. “Having reporters speak to senators is important, and not just the senators who choose to speak to reporters.”

Christopher Isham, Washington bureau chief for CBS News, said discussions are “still fairly fluid” in terms of making it easier for senators who want to talk. He’s optimistic that the public will ultimately have roughly the same access to the impeachment trial through the media as it did for President Bill Clinton’s trial.

A spokesman for Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell did not immediately return a message seeking comment. Not everyone is sympathetic to the journalists’ arguments, however.

“It’s like people complaining at the airport that they have to go through security,” said Tim Graham of the

conservative watchdog Media Research Center. “Welcome to living in America. And they wonder why they’re so unpopular.”

The American Civil Liberties Union, which together with several other groups sent a letter to the Senate last week, urged the leaders not to slide back to 20th Century technology at a time more can be done to let the public know what the politicians are up to.

Bettag, once executive producer at ABC’s “Nightline,” said any differences in news coverage of the impeachment trial caused by media restrictions is likely to be so subtle that most viewers won’t notice. But it’s important for news organizations to fight them, since without that things are likely to tighten even further in the future.

Cable news networks CNN, Fox News Channel and MSNBC are expected to cover every minute of the impeachment trial, mirroring coverage of the House hearings. ABC, CBS and NBC will also have extensive coverage but haven’t committed to showing each minute of the hearings.


By comparison, the much-anticipated Weinstein trial will be much harder for the public to follow. The once-powerful Hollywood producer, whose behavior gave rise to the #MeToo movement, is on trial in a New York courtroom on charges that he raped a woman in a hotel room in 2013 and forced oral sex on another in 2006.

New York state courts infrequently allow or are equipped to provide television coverage, and despite efforts by Court TV, state Supreme Court Justice James Burke is not permitting cameras in this case. Any depiction of Weinstein listening to testimony in the trial will come from sketch artists.


Reporters permitted in the courtroom will not be allowed to have phones or any recording devices; they won’t be allowed to text, tweet or email anything to the outside world, according to rules issued by Burke.

News organizations have also been unsuccessfully pushing for an “overflow” room at the state Supreme Court, which would allow more reporters room on site.


5-Day Weather Summary




Wednesday  
Mostly Cloudy  
35 / 27




Thursday  
Cloudy  
37 / 29



Friday  
Rain Likely  
36 / 28




Saturday  
Rain & Snow Possible  
35 / 25




Sunday  
Mostly Cloudy  
37 / 31

Sun and Moon


Today's sunset ..... 5:52 p.m.  
Tomorrow's sunrise ..... 8:06 a.m.




New  
1/24



First  
2/1



Full  
2/9



Last  
2/15

Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies, high of 35°, humidity of 54%. South wind 8 to 13 mph. Expect cloudy skies tonight, overnight low of 27°. South wind 6 to 10 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach 22°. Thursday, skies will be cloudy with a slight chance of rain and snow, high of 37°, humidity of 71%.

# Cold and flu both viruses and can’t be treated with antibiotics

**DEAR DOCTOR:** What’s the difference between a cold and the flu, and how do you know which one you’ve got? Why can’t antibiotics help?

**DEAR READER:** Whether it’s a cold or the flu, the reason you are feeling awful is because you’ve been infected by a virus. More than 200 different types of viruses can cause a cold, and the most common is the rhinovirus, the culprit behind up to half of all colds. The flu, as its name suggests, is caused by the influenza virus. Of the four known types of influenza virus, labeled A, B, C and D, the seasonal epidemics we prepare for each winter are caused by influenzas A or B.

**Elizabeth Ko & Eve Glazier**  
Ask the Doctors



When the immune system senses that a cold or flu virus has entered the body, it goes to war. This includes using every weapon at its disposal to attack and destroy the intruders. Unfortunately, this causes the physical symptoms that make having a cold or the flu so miserable. These include sore throat, runny nose, chest congestion, coughing, sneezing, fever, headache, body aches and fatigue. Some people may also experience diarrhea or vomiting.

The symptoms of a cold and the flu are often similar, but the potential outcomes are different. A cold is a milder illness that rarely leads to serious health problems. The flu, by contrast, is more severe than a cold. It can also lead to serious complications, some of them life-threatening. These include viral or bacterial pneumonia, inflammation of the heart or the brain, and sepsis, a response to infection that is so extreme, it can lead to death. The flu can also worsen chronic medical conditions, such as asthma, diabetes and heart disease.

The only reliable way to differentiate between a cold and the flu is with a special test performed on cells and fluids swiped from the inside of the nose or the back of the throat. Two quick tests can be performed in the doctor’s

office. These are the rapid influenza diagnostic test, or RIDT, which detects proteins associated with the influenza virus, and the rapid molecular assay, which identifies viral genetic material. Each test takes about 15 minutes, but neither is infallible. More accurate tests, which can return results in several hours, must be performed in specialized labs.

There is no cure for either the cold or the flu at this time. Antibiotics don’t work against them because they kill bacteria, and as we discussed, both the flu and a cold are caused by viruses. Your doctor may offer to treat you with a class of drugs known as antivirals, including Tamiflu, Relenza, Flumadine and Xofluza, a newer drug approved by

the Food and Drug Administration in 2018. Antivirals won’t cure you, but when taken soon enough after infection – about two days – they may lessen the severity of symptoms and shorten the duration of illness by a few days.

As always, we recommend getting the flu vaccine every year. It’s not too late!

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## WALORSKI

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cash on hand to more than \$850,000.

“Since 2nd District Hoosiers first elected Walorski to Congress, she has worked to achieve commonsense solutions, including passing laws to cut taxes on health care, combat the opioid epidemic, protect veterans and strengthen families,” stated the release.

Walorski serves on the House Ways and Means Committee and is the top Republican on the Subcom-

mittee on Worker and Family Support.

“The president recently signed into law her bipartisan legislation to help states transition the foster care system and put families first,” stated the release. “Jackie has fought on behalf of northern Indiana to ensure our farmers, businesses, and workers are treated fairly when it comes to trade. She played a key role in passing the U.S.-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA), President Trump’s deal to modernize North American trade, and she has led the charge to defend American

manufacturers and farmers from tariffs and retaliation. Jackie led the fight to permanently repeal the job-killing medical device tax and the costly health insurance tax. The president recently signed into law her legislation to repeal these Obamacare taxes that were driving up the cost of health care. Jackie has fought to keep our nation’s promise to our brave veterans. In 2016, she authored a law to protect veterans from overprescribing of opioids. And in 2013, Jackie authored a bipartisan law that protects survivors of military sexual assault.”

## 85 HOPE

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Festival of Trees.

■ Opened 85 HOPE Manchester in November to better serve the northern residents of Wabash County.

Numbers also grew in 2019. Patient visits almost doubled from 200 in 2018 to 386 in 2019. And new patients almost tripled from 29 in 2018 to 85 in 2019.

Spaulding stated these increases were due to easier access to care and better visual presence in the community.

Growth also came when the Manchester site opened in November.


“2020 promises to be just as busy for 85 HOPE as they are partnering with Light-house Mission, FISH and Advantage Housing to move their Wabash site into a new non-profit complex in downtown Wabash at the former Plain Dealer building on the corner of Canal and Cass street,” stated the release.

Those interested in becoming a client or volunteering at 85 HOPE may call and leave a message for 85 HOPE Wabash at 260-274-0011 or 85 HOPE Manchester at 260-306-8309. Those interested may also visit during office hours: 85 HOPE Wabash is open 1 to 5 p.m. Tuesdays, and 1 to 8 p.m. Thursdays; and 85 HOPE Manchester

is open 3 to 5 p.m. Tuesdays and 5 to 8 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays.

85 HOPE is entirely supported by grants and donations. Donations may be mailed to 85 HOPE, P.O. Box 27, Wabash, IN 46992; or completed online via PayPal at 85hope.org.

For more information, visit 85hope.org.



Roxy 5 Showtimes for Friday, January 17- Thursday, January 23  
All showtimes have Closed Captioning available.

<b>Bad Boys for Life (R)</b> Fri: 6:50, 9:40 Sat: 1:10, 3:55, 6:50, 9:40 Sun: 1:10, 3:55, 6:50 Mon- Thurs: 6:50	<b>Like a Boss (R)</b> Fri: 7:10, 9:15 Sat: 1:50, 4:35, 7:10, 9:15 Sun: 1:50, 4:35, 7:10 Mon- Thurs: 7:10	<b>Jumanji: The Next Level in 2D (PG13)</b> Fri: 6:30, 9:20 Sat: 1:00, 3:45, 6:30, 9:20 Sun: 1:00, 3:45, 6:30 Mon- Thurs: 6:30
<b>Dolittle (PG)</b> Fri: 7:00, 9:30 Sat: 1:40, 4:25, 7:00, 9:30 Sun: 1:40, 4:25, 7:00 Mon- Thurs: 7:00	<b>Underwater (PG13)</b> Fri: 6:40, 8:55 Sat: 1:20, 4:05, 6:40, 8:55 Sun: 1:20, 4:05, 6:40 Mon- Thurs: 6:40	

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MONDAY'S LOTTERIES

Cash 5  
23-28-35-43-44  
Cash4Life  
04-23-54-56-57, Cash Ball: 4  
Daily 3 midday ..... 4-4-0, SB: 6  
Daily 3 evening ..... 6-5-7, SB: 3  
Daily 4 midday ..... 8-9-7-7, SB: 6  
Daily 4 evening ..... 6-1-2-5, SB: 3  
Mega Millions  
Estimated jackpot: \$116 million  
Powerball  
Estimated jackpot: \$343 million

TUESDAY'S METALS

Aluminum ..... .81  
Copper ..... .2.85  
Lead ..... .1.10  
Zinc ..... .1.549.28  
Gold ..... .17.67  
Silver ..... .993.14

AREA GRAIN

Estimated grain prices at Indianapolis-area elevators:  
Corn: \$4.06. Soybeans: \$9.07.



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### Jasmine Nicole Bolin Curry

Jan. 9, 1979 - Jan. 17, 2020

Jasmine Nicole Bolin Curry, 41, of rural Wabash, Indiana, died at 11:44 p.m., Friday, Jan. 17, 2020 at her home. She was born Jan. 9, 1979 in Wabash, to Jay Bolin and Laurna (Howard) Bolin. Jasmine loved cooking for Frank and her boys. She also enjoyed her dog Wisher, her chickens, crocheting, and spending time by her pond.



Aaron (Michelle) Bolin and Casey Bolin, both of Peru, step brother, Jason (Teresa) Siders of Macy, Indiana, step sister, Mary Siders of Lagro, Indiana, and her grandmother, Evelyn Irelan of North Manchester, Indiana. She was preceded in death by her brother, Jay David Bolin and her grandmother Joann Howard.

There will be no services. Arrangements by Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, Wabash.

Preferred memorial is Melanoma Research.

The memorial guest book for Jasmine may be signed at [www.grandstaff-hentgen.com](http://www.grandstaff-hentgen.com).

### BLOOD

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56 W Mill St.

■ 2 to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 5 at the Urbana Yoke Parish Community Center, 16 E. Half St., Urbana.

■ Noon to 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 6 at the Manchester Church of the Brethren, 1306 Beckley St., North Manchester.

“With influenza escalating across the country and preventing some donors from giving, and winter weather threatening to cancel blood drives, the Red Cross now has a critical shortage of

type O blood and urgently needs donors to restock the shelves,” stated Wilson.

Wilson stated the Red Cross has less than a three-day supply of type O blood available for patient emergencies and medical treatments. Type O positive blood is the most transfused blood type and can be given to Rh-positive patients of any blood type.

While just 7 percent of the U.S. population has type O negative blood, it can be transfused to patients with any blood type and is what hospital staff reach for during emergencies when there isn’t time to determine a patient’s blood type.

Every day, the Red Cross must collect nearly 13,000 blood donations and more than 2,600 platelet donations for patients who rely on blood to survive. In Indiana Ohio Region alone, the Red Cross needs 350 donors each day to support patients being treated at 80 area hospitals.

All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver’s license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health

may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

Blood and platelet donors can save time at their next donation by using RapidPass to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, before arriving at the blood drive. To get started, follow the instructions at RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass or use the Blood Donor App.

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### Sister Maureen Martin

May 19, 1933 - Jan. 20, 2020

Sister Maureen Martin, CSJ, of Nazareth, passed away Jan. 20, 2020. Sister Maureen was born on May 19, 1933 in Wabash the daughter of George and Mary (Bronson) Martin and a member of the Sisters of St. Joseph. Surviving are her brother Robert (Mary) Martin, her sister Elizabeth Weber, several nieces,

nephews, cousins and the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Friday at 10:30 a.m. Interment will be in Sisters of St. Joseph Cemetary, Tipton, Indiana. Memorials may be made to the Congregation of St. Joseph at 2929 Nazareth Rd. Kalamazoo, MI 49048.

### Norman ‘Bud’ Donaldson

Funeral Services for Norman “Bud” Donaldson, 90, of rural Wabash, were 10 a.m., Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2020 at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, Wabash. Pastor Tim Prater officiated the funeral service. Memo-

ries were shared by family and friends. Pallbearers Jacob Donaldson, Zach Donaldson, Fred Layne, Josh Layne, Drew Cooper, and Austin Cooper. Burial was in Matlock Cemetery, Wabash.

### JUGGLING

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and having a good time on stage,” he said. “I do write a ton of jokes. I do stand-up without juggling sometimes, and that’s where you get that entertainment and combine the two into a good family event.”

Nizer said people who come to his shows should bring their smartphones, as they will be part of the act.

“I’m going to use smartphones as lighting instruments in the show. I take over all the phones. They become a lighting instrument, which is cool,” he said. “I do a lot of stuff with emerging technology.”

#### Coaching other jugglers

Nizer said his big break came after winning the International Juggling Championships after many less-than-successful attempts.

“They still remember me,” he said. “I lost more times than anyone that ever won. I was tenacious. I got last place. I got second to last place. I got eighth place. Fourth place. Second place. And then I stopped. And then I came back five years later and then I won. And the funny thing is, I never felt bad about any of those performances. I always thought I did a little bit better.”

Nizer said competition juggling is one of the most difficult activities one can take part in.

“Take skating, for example,” he said. “Every quarter of a second you’re not at a point where if your one hand doesn’t close perfectly you’re going to drop and it’s going to flying across the ground and it’s pretty obvious what’s happened. I know everyone gets nervous and all that and when

juggling happens and that kicks in, people become incapable of doing the simplest stuff there is. It has to be this robotic, built into your body really to be able to compete in that type of stuff.”

Nizer said that now that he is a judge and a coach, he enjoys the sports psychology aspect.

“In competition, if you can not care about winning, that’s where you have a huge advantage,” he said. “And you’re doing it more for fun. That’s why very young jugglers do much better because they don’t know any better. It’s right when they hit like 16 and they realize it’s a competition that they could win or lose and then they want to win and then you can’t win. Unless you have some supreme arrogance, which sounds like a bad word. But in competition or juggling or anything with a mental component arrogance is a huge advantage of I’m better than you.”

Nizer said he’s even used reverse psychology to great effect.

“I used to coach some people and the best one of my kids I ever coached, right before he went on stage I told him he was the worst juggler in the competition and he had no chance of winning,” he said. “Which was true, but I knew it would upset him. And he was so mad at me. He went on stage and juggled mad. He looked at me right in the eye in the front row, glaring at me the whole time like, ‘Really?’” And he did so great. I was just like, ‘It’s working. He’s doing it.’ He got second place. It was the best. It was so great. I think he’s still mad at me.”

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### PULSE

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of the Wabash First Church of God, 525 N. Miami St. on Jan. 1, 2005 and the congregation will honor his 15 years of service during the 10:30 a.m. worship service on Sunday, Jan. 26, with Pastor David Phillips as the guest speaker.

#### ‘Sanctity of Life’ event planned

Cheryl Meyer, executive director of LIFE Center, and Jeni Friedersdorf, client service manager, will be “sharing on the Sanctity of Life” at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 26 at Victory Christian Fellowship, 112 W. Main St. For more information, call 260-982-8357.

#### Manchester University plans Spring Convocation

The Spring Convocation is at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 28, the first day of classes, in Cordier Auditorium on the North Manchester campus. The presentation is free and open to the public.

#### Wabash County Museum to host PBS screening about ‘Polar Extremes’

A free preview screening of the upcoming “NOVA” special, “Polar Extremes” is set for 6 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 28 at the Wabash County Museum, 36 E. Market St. For more information, visit [www.wabashmuseum.org](http://www.wabashmuseum.org) and click on Events, or call 260-563-9070.

#### Wabash Tri Kappa to sponsor 14th Annual Winter Gala

The gala will take place Saturday, Feb. 1, at Heartland REMC, 250 Wedcor Ave. Doors will open at 6 p.m., and dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30 per person and must be purchased by Tuesday, Jan. 28. Tickets may be purchased from Tri Kappa Members or at the following locations: Wabash City Hall, 202 S. Wabash St.; Friermood Tire & Alignment, 1699 Stitt St.; and the dental office of Dr. Bing M. Fowler DDS, 1911 S. Wabash St. For more information, call Beth Miller at 260-563-1128.

#### February Salamonie Senior Luncheon set

The monthly Salamonie Senior Luncheon will be held at noon on Monday, Feb. 3, at the Salamonie Lake Interpretive Center, at 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. Anyone age 50 or older is welcome to attend. Upper Wabash Interpretive Services interpretive naturalist Lynnanne Fager will share her personal experiences with Indiana bald eagles. The program begins with a carry-in meal at noon. Chicken and noodles and mashed potatoes will be provided. Guests should bring a side dish to share, a beverage and their own table service. A \$1 donation will be accepted. Reservations may be made by

calling 260-468-2127.

#### United Methodist Church plans community dinner

The United Methodist Church will be hosting a community dinner from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7 at 306 E. Second St. The menu includes baked steak, green beans, mashed potatoes and gravy, salad, roll, dessert and drink. Ticket cost for adults is \$8.50 and children ages 7 to 12 are \$5, children under 6 are free. Carry-outs available at 4:30 p.m. The public is welcome. North Manchester United Methodist Church is handicapped-accessible, with parking in the rear of the church and the East Second Street parking lot.

#### Bachelor Creek Church of Christ to host prom for people with special needs

Bachelor Creek Church of Christ will host Night to Shine 2020 from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7 at Northfield High School, 154 W. 200 North. For additional information, visit [www.bachelorcreek.com](http://www.bachelorcreek.com).

#### Skywarn weather spotter training set

A Skywarn weather spotter training session has been scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13 at the skating rink at the Honeywell Center, 275 W. Market St. Check-in begins at 6:30 p.m. Online registration is available at <https://wabashspotter.eventzilla.net>. Registration may also be completed by calling 260-563-3181 or 574-834-1104.

#### Honeywell Foundation’s annual art competition open

The Honeywell Foundation’s Clark Gallery will be hosting its annual 92 County Art Show through Wednesday, Feb. 19. A public reception for this event will take place at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2020. For more information, contact Michele Hughes at [mhughes@HoneywellFoundation.org](mailto:mhughes@HoneywellFoundation.org) or call the Honeywell Center Box Office at 260-563-1102.

#### Career Closet donations sought

Donations for the Career Closet will be collected through Friday, Feb. 21. Manchester University will accept gently used professional or business casual clothing and accessories. This event helps students who are not financially able to purchase professional clothing be able to dress appropriately when talking with employers and programs. Donations may be brought to Room 103 of the Chinworth Center on the North Manchester campus or to Sarah Lauck at the Fort Wayne campus.

#### Low Impact Fitness classes scheduled

Fitness that is both fun and free led by Mary Jo McClell-

land at 9:45 a.m. every Monday and Thursday, and 3 p.m. Wednesday at Living Well Winchester Center, 239 Bond St. There is no fee or registration required.

#### Cancer care advocate available every Tuesday

A cancer care advocate is available from 1 to 4 p.m. every Tuesday at the Winchester Senior Center, 239 Bond St. No appointment is needed. This service is supported by the Hope Foundation and provided by Cancer Services out of Fort Wayne.

#### Yoga classes scheduled on Tuesdays

Yoga for those who are intermediate to experienced levels have been scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Living Well Winchester Center, 239 Bond St. The cost is \$10, and discount passes are available.

#### DivorceCare to meet every Tuesday

DivorceCare, a 13-week DVD series sponsored by Wabash Friends Counseling Center, features some of the nation’s foremost Christian experts on topics concerning divorce and recovery, according to a press release. The support group meets at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in Room 112 in the Wabash Friends Church, 3563 South State Road 13. Group leader and members of the group meet for dinner at 5:30 p.m. at Subway, 1812 S. Wabash St. on State Road 15. For more information, call 260-563-8453, 877-350-1658 or group leader Janet Quillen at 260-571-5235; email [office@wabashfriends.org](mailto:office@wabashfriends.org); or visit [www.divorcecare.org](http://www.divorcecare.org).

#### Employers invited to register for Manchester Career Fair

Employers are invited to meet students at the Manchester University career, internship and graduate school fair from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 4, at the upper level of the Jo Young Switzer Center on the North Manchester campus. Setup begins at 11:30 p.m. with lunch and informal networking. Each employer registered will receive a covered 6-foot table and two chairs. The cost to register is \$40 to \$50, depending on the type of employer. Fair sponsorship is also available for \$150. For more information and to register, visit <http://bit.ly/MUCAreerFair2020>. Employers with questions may email [CareerDevelopment@manchester.edu](mailto:CareerDevelopment@manchester.edu).

#### ‘Death by Chocolate’ tickets on sale

The Wabash Area Community Theater’s winter comedy “Death by Chocolate” will open at 6 p.m. and dinner is at 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 6

and Saturday, March 7; and doors will open at noon and dinner is at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, March 8 at the Charley Creek Inn. Tickets are on sale now at the Charley Creek Inn reception desk. For more information, call Bruce Roveltstad at 260- 330-0543 or Bev Vanderpool at 765-661-8206.

#### Komets game to celebrate Wabash County March 13

Wabash County will be the MVP during the third annual Wabash County Night at the Fort Wayne Komets game at 8:05 p.m. Friday, March 13 at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum, 4000 Parnell Ave., Fort Wayne. While supplies last, tickets can be bought for \$15 per ticket at <https://groupmatics.events/event/Wabashcommunity3> or by emailing Mitch Meinholz at [mitch@komets.com](mailto:mitch@komets.com) or by calling 260-482-6812.

#### Wabash Kiwanis Club’s Pancake Day returns in March

The Wabash Kiwanis Club will once again host its annual Pancake Day, which is the local service organization’s largest annual fundraiser. The event will take place from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 14 at the Bruce Ingraham building at the Wabash County Fairgrounds, located just off of Gillen Avenue. Tickets will be \$8 at the door and \$7 in advance for those ages 13 years and older, and \$5 at the door and \$4 in advance for children ages 6 to 12 years. Admission for the event will be free for children 5 years and younger.

#### Manchester invites high school students to submit compositions

The Manchester University Department of Music seeks high school composers for its first Composition Workshop and Reading Session on Wednesday, April 8. They are invited to submit original compositions to be performed and recorded by Manchester University faculty musicians. The deadline is March 23. Send submissions to Reed at [tmreed@manchester.edu](mailto:tmreed@manchester.edu). Submissions should include a score (PDF or Finale file); contact information with name, phone number and mailing address; and name of high school currently attending. There is no fee to submit. Selected composers will be contacted with details about the evening event via email.

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# Opinion

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## DAILY SCRIPTURE

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, 9 not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

**Ephesians 2:8-9**

# Democrats should ditch the sky-is-falling pitch

In the past century, incumbent presidents have been on the ballot 16 times. Only four times have they been turned out of office: Herbert Hoover was defeated at the height of the Great Depression. Gerald Ford, Jimmy Carter and George H.W. Bush went down with unemployment at elevated rates in the 7 percent and 8 percent range.

For this reason, it's a very good bet that President Donald Trump will make the economy a central piece of his re-election campaign. The unemployment rate is 3.5 percent, the lowest it has been since the 1960s, and the stock market has been setting new record highs.

The Democratic presidential nominee had better have a good message for voters who might not like Trump as a person but who like the economy's performance since he was elected.

Trump inherited a good economy

To date, however, the candidates' prime pitch has been that the economy is only helping the rich. In last week's debate, for example, former Vice President Joe Biden said, "The American public is getting clobbered. The wealthy are the only ones doing well."

Wealth concentration, stag-

nant wages and the ongoing weakness in sectors such as manufacturing are surely worth discussion. But they can't be the only thing out of a candidate's mouth without general-election voters questioning his or her credibility. In polls over the past 12 months, roughly 70 percent of respondents say the economy is strong.

A better response would be to say that Trump inherited an economy that was on the rebound for seven straight years.

The nominee might also point out that Trump's actions to juice the economy until the election will likely have serious long-term consequences: Trillion-dollar deficits will be a burden on future generations. Jawboning the Federal Reserve to keep interest rates low could trigger future inflation. And reckless deregulation will produce health and safety scandals.

Economy better under Democrats

When Trump tries to argue that electing a Democrat would result in tanking the economy, the nominee might also point out that since World War II, the economy has done better under Democratic presidents than Republican ones. In particular, Democratic presidents have been more

fiscally responsible. They ran up big deficits only during wars and deep recessions and, on two occasions, in 1969 and 2001, bequeathed budget surpluses to their Republican successors.

Barring a significant slowing of the economy before November, these are better arguments than those Biden and others put forth at the last debate.

While it is true that no incumbent president has been thrown out of office with a strong economy, there is one example – Lyndon Johnson – of an incumbent quitting rather than facing what looked like a dicey reelection. He made his decision not to run with an unemployment rate very much like today's because the electorate was focused on the very unpopular Vietnam War.

Something similar is true now. Many voters generally like the economy but are deeply disturbed by Trump's character and conduct.

The Democrat who wins the nomination ought to exploit these misgivings while maintaining credibility on economic matters. For voters who are working and watching their 401(k) balances rise, the sky-is-falling pitch is likely to fall flat.

*This editorial was first published in USA Today.*

# Yes, tariffs hurt U.S. consumers but specific exemptions are worse

By MARYANN O. KEATING

Over the Christmas holidays while entertaining house guests, our 20-year-old stove malfunctioned destroying the main circuit breaker and plunging the house into cold and darkness.

Replacing our Sears Kenmore stove is no longer an option, and, to avoid remodeling kitchen space, we realized that we would have to pay a fairly high price for a non-standard size range. Unfortunately, we found that an American-made replacement exceeded what we were willing to pay by about \$2,000. Several international brands were available but for \$1,000 above the amount we planned to pay.

A recent article in the Wall Street Journal relates to our experience ("I Support Trump's Tariffs but Need an Exemption," Jan. 7). Since the recent imposition of a 25 percent tariff on imported steel, the U.S. has experienced increases in overall steel production and employment. However, U.S. producers of certain kitchen appliances and car parts require nickel-bearing stainless steel slabs. These specific steel products are still produced domestically.

However, they are available only at a price significantly higher than imports from countries in which steel is not subject to tariffs or is actually subsidized. Therefore, U.S. domestic producers of appliances face increasing costs for inputs and for that reason request exemptions for certain categories of steel imports.

Given the opportunity, I would gladly inform President Donald Trump how his broad-based tariffs, which may be in the national interest, have affected the price of our new stove. However, I would also strongly suggest that, before making categorical exemptions to the tariff schedule, he consider their potential damaging effects.

Engaging in the process of lowering tariffs on favored industries and products will only increase economic distortions. Expanding the number of exemptions in a country's tariff schedule leads to investment uncertainties and increased lobbying, if not corruption. As a former tariff analyst at the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, I realize that tariffs on products never work out well for consumers. I also know for certain that favoritism in trade policy is generally a national political and economic disaster.

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## HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, Jan. 22, the 22nd day of 2020. There are 344 days left in the year.

### Highlight in History:

On Jan. 22, 1998, Theodore Kaczynski pleaded guilty in Sacramento, California, to being the Unabomber responsible for three deaths and 29 injuries in return for a sentence of life in prison without parole.

### On this date:

In 1498, during his third voyage to the Western Hemisphere, Christopher Columbus arrived at the present-day Caribbean island of St. Vincent.

In 1901, Britain's Queen Victoria died at age 81 after a reign of 63 years; she was succeeded by her eldest son, Edward VII.

In 1944, during World War II, Allied forces began landing at Anzio, Italy.

In 1953, the Arthur Miller drama "The Crucible," set during the Salem witch trials, opened on Broadway.

In 1970, the first regularly scheduled commercial flight of the Boeing 747 began in New York and ended in London some 6 1/2 hours later.

In 1973, the U.S. Supreme Court, in its Roe v. Wade decision, legalized abortions using a trimester approach. Former President Lyndon B. Johnson died at his Texas ranch at age 64.

In 1987, Pennsylvania treasurer R. Budd Dwyer, convicted of defrauding the state, proclaimed his innocence at a news conference before pulling out a gun, placing the barrel in his mouth and shooting himself to death in front of horrified onlookers.

In 1994, actor Telly Savalas died in Universal City, California, a day after turning 72.

In 1995, Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy died at the Kennedy compound at Hyannis Port, Mass., at age 104.

In 1997, the Senate confirmed Madeleine Albright as the nation's first female secretary of state.

In 2007, a double car bombing of a predominantly Shiite commercial area in Baghdad killed 88 people. Iran announced it had barred 38 nuclear inspectors on a United Nations list from entering the country in apparent retaliation for U.N. sanctions imposed the previous month.

In 2009, President Barack Obama signed an executive order to close the Guantanamo Bay prison camp within a year. (The facility remained in operation as lawmakers blocked efforts to transfer terror suspects to the United States; President Donald Trump later issued an order to keep the jail open and allow the Pentagon to bring new prisoners there.)

**Today's Birthdays:** Actress Piper Laurie is 88. Celebrity chef Graham Kerr (TV: "The Galloping Gournet") is 86. Author Joseph Wambaugh is 83. Singer Steve Perry is 71. Country singer-musician Teddy Gentry (Alabama) is 68. Movie director Jim Jarmusch is 67. Actor John Wesley Shipp is 65. Hockey Hall of Famer Mike Bossy is 63. Actress Linda Blair is 61. Actress Diane Lane is 55. Actor and rap DJ Jazzy Jeff is 55. Country singer Regina Nicks (Regina Ziegler) is 55. Celebrity chef Guy Fieri is 52. Actress Olivia d'Abo is 51. Actress Katie Finneran is 49. Actor Gabriel Macht is 48. Actor Balthazar Getty is 45. Actor Christopher Kennedy Masterson is 40. Jazz singer Lizz Wright is 40.

## Differences of punditry

Wouldn't you know it: That ol' rascal – The Gender Issue – has sallied forth to play havoc in the Democratic primary race.

When all else fails, what works better than a his-or-her contretemps? Still, it's kind of sad that two of the elder candidates – Sens. Bernie Sanders of Vermont and Elizabeth Warren of Massachusetts – are setting such a sorry example for the young-uns.

On Monday, citing sources, CNN reported that during a private December 2018 meeting at Warren's Washington apartment, Sanders told her that a woman couldn't win the presidency in 2020. He was probably right, of course, because, at this point, that woman likely would be Warren and ... it isn't happening.

There's little question that Warren could prevail against Donald Trump in a policy debate, but policy isn't even half of winning – and Warren's "I've-got-a-plan-for-that" approach to verbal combat has begun to wear thin and could fall flat against Trump's showmanship. The Massachusetts senator's energy is admirable (I'll have what she's having), but Warren reminds one of the over-eager classmate on the front row who's always waving her hand at the teacher to call on her because she's got the answer. Every. Single. Time.

Warren is also the beneficiary of the zeitgeist's operating principle – to believe the

woman in all things he said/she said – which means there's only one acceptable side to be on. Sanders surely realizes this.

Warren confirmed that she did have such a conversation with Sanders. She recalled saying, "I thought a woman could win; he disagreed." She also mentioned the conversation to at least two other people at the time, according to CNN.

Sanders disavowed any such rendition, saying in a statement: "It is ludicrous to believe that at the same meeting where Elizabeth Warren told me she was going to run for president, I would tell her that a woman couldn't win."

At the very least, it would have been oafishly ill-mannered, and Sanders, though he sometimes comes across as the zany professor who just blew into the wrong classroom, doesn't seem the sort to tell a woman to her face that she's a loser. In his statement, he clarified that he does think a woman can win in 2020, citing Hillary Clinton's popular-vote victory in 2016.

If one were a cynic, one might suspect that the gender gauntlet was thrown down by Warren operatives who, theoretically, thought a kerfuffle over the single issue guaranteed to get women's goats and make Sanders look like one might be well-timed just before the Iowa debate. Having slipped to third or fourth place, depending on the poll (fourth in the most recent Monmouth Iowa poll), Warren might have been vulnerable to a gender-whisperer.

How better to distinguish herself than for someone else to leak a narrative suggesting that Sanders is out of touch, a sexist at heart, and perhaps

one of those '60s male radicals who became a feminist just to cozy up to the rad-fems, who, notwithstanding their ideological passions, were still highly female.

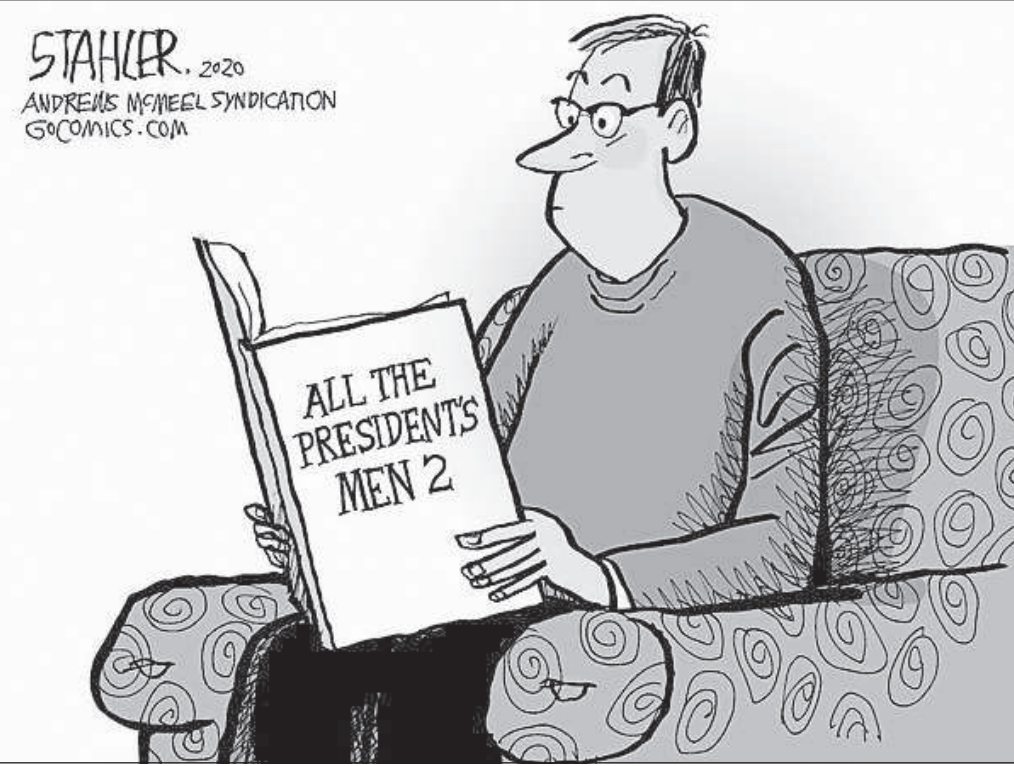
This theory, however, would mean that Warren made the story seem like a sexist betrayal by one of her leftiest fellow contenders rather than what it was – the likely correct observation of a seasoned politician. Or, possibly, she misremembered it.

On the other hand, it's just as possible that Sanders doesn't remember the reported details of the discussion because: (a) it wasn't important to him; (b) who remembers anything these days? © it didn't happen that way and could have been, as Sanders' campaign manager Faiz Shakir put it, "a lie."

So, which was it? Obviously, Sanders was in a lose-lose proposition that could only get worse with time and more words, a (preconceived?) circumstance that allowed Warren to take the high road. In her own statement, she said: "I have no interest in discussing this private meeting any further because Bernie and I have far more in common than our differences on punditry."

Well played.

The story that was or wasn't seems bound for the dustbin of political nonsense, but the misdeed has been done. Sanders has been tainted by a whiff of sexism, while Warren glides off stage with a wink and a nod to her everlasting virtue and a teacher's talent for ending every story with a moral: A woman can become president of the United States. (Just not in 2020.)





# Education

## Sharp Creek Elementary releases second quarter honor rolls

Lists cover fourth through sixth grades

By STAFF REPORT

### Fourth grade A Honor Roll

Teagan Baer, Briggs Baker, Collin Biehl, Haylee Boring, Karsen Brown, Ali Copeland, Montgomerie Dawes, Megan Easterday, Madelyn Holley, Callie McClure, Emily Miller, Preston Moore, Kolten Prus, Makaela Shoue, Calvin Thompson and Naomi Watson.

### A/B Honor Roll

Kyra Aderman, Bella Baynes, Samantha Bolin, Justin Brunnett, Jaileah Emley, Kasen Fitch, Jozilynn Fleshood, Joleen Gedcus, Brayden Gidley, Jazmine Gill, Cooper Good, Joseph Hall, Luke Hemingway, Cody Holmes, James Kowalczyk, Kash Laferney, Gavin Lester, Lana Miller, Kaydence Moser, Kaleigh Rice, Gabbriellah Rojas, Brecklin Sanders, Ean Selleck, Leah Shafer, Stella Stephens, Breslyn Swihart, Caydence Turley, Isabella Unger, Jerrick Warnock and Simon Webb.

### Fifth grade A Honor Roll

Aliana Arney, Chloe Baugher, Emily Bever, Cail Black, Amarah Bowers, Claire Brainard, Hayden Copeland, Nicholas Cowan, Keeshia Dacuba, Ayla Dale, Caleb Dubois, Allison Edmond, Nichole Fisher, Tyce

Frank, Emme Hanes, Laney Hauptert, Vivian Hauptert, Millie Higgins, Ethan Hoover, Faith Krom, Ashlyn Macy, Taylor Manuel, Hayden Martin, Saige Martin, Landon Mast, Jackson Mercer, Mikayla Meyer, Zoey Music, Kourtland Pratt, Kendra Rife, Holten Satterthwaite, Addison Sorg, Kiana Stevens, Mallory Tart, Dawson Texeira, Adrienne Unger, Ruby Weaver, Emma Wilson and Chloe Youngblood.

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Kiana Bretzman, Wyatt Bucher, Alivia Cole, Abigail Delong, Chad Eckols, Corbin Goshert, Kaden Johnson, Lilli Koonce, Olia Leffert, Justin Lynn, Landon McLaughlin, Emily Melton, Logan Mercer, Austin Miller, Isabella Myers, Jacob Nesler, Kennady Nordman, Kevin Parke, Elaine Rehak, Logan Roark, Elijah Shoue, Gracie Sisco and Rylan Turner.

### Sixth grade A Honor Roll

Lillian Barton, Gavin Brainard, Tyler Hauptert, Sophia Holley, Neil Long, Mason Lyons, Francie Mcdonald, Erin Rehak, Mackenzie Southwick, Brinlei Swihart and Cody Yeiser.

### A/B Honor Roll

Tayten Barlow, Maddox Elzy, Kaelynne Emley, Luke Eviston, Logan Graft, Grace Harrington, Jade Harrington, Callie Hoffman, Drake King, Logan Lyons, Eli Pence, Alyssa Schnepf, Ryder Schram and Isaac Stakeman.

## Emmanuel Christian School recognizes students

Second nine weeks honor rolls, principal's list, perfect attendance released

By STAFF REPORT

### Perfect attendance First grade

Hadassah Brewer.

### Second grade

Brenden Draper, Andi Funf-sinn Chamberlain Hawkins, Veronica McCarty, Makaylah Mugwisi, Colton Young and Olivia Willis.

### Third grade

Neriah Brewer, Jon Lowery, Zander McKnight and Heaven Cunningham.

### Fourth grade

Luke Dyson and Emma Smelser.

### Sixth grade

Jessie Kirtlan and Levi Smelser.

### Eighth grade

Danielle Reahard.

### 10th grade

Raelyn Coyne.

### All A Honor Roll

### First grade

Braelyn Blackburn, Hadas-sah Brewer and Lucas Smith.

### Second grade

Brenden Draper, Andi Funf-sinn, Chamberlain Hawkins, Noah Kelley, Beckett Monroe, Gavin Moore, Makaylah Mug-wisi, Olivia Willis and Colton Young.

### Third grade

Zander McKnight and Alaina Kinsey.

### Fourth grade

Emma Smelser.

### Fifth grade

Zion McKnight.

### Sixth grade

Jessie Kirtlan and Levi Smelser.

### A and B Honor Roll First grade

Adalyn Carver, Aiden Low-ery and Adelaide Monroe.

### Second grade

Barrett Benzinger, Bria Fleck and Gabriel West.

### Third grade

Neriah Brewer.

### Fourth grade

Anniston Cooper.

### Fifth grade

Carter Hull and Brenen Swisher.

### Sixth grade

Karlie Lane and Lindsey Pope.

### Seventh grade

Zaney McKnight and Dylan Stensland.

### Eighth grade

Erin Daniel and Haley Miller.

## MSD holds regular board meetings Jan. 14

Three meetings were held

By STAFF REPORT

The MSD of Wabash County School Board met to conduct business Tuesday, Jan. 14, according to a press release. Three meetings were held.

### Board of Finance meeting

Todd Dazey was elected President of the Board of Finance. Todd Topliff was elected Secretary of the Board of Finance. Dr. Christopher Kuhn presented the 2019 financial report.

### Reorganization meeting

Officers and Appointments for 2020 included the election of President Todd Dazey, the election of Vice President Kevin Bowman, the election of Secretary Todd Topliff, Legislative Liaison delegate to ISBA Annual Convention Todd Dazey, Representative to HCC Board of Managers Matt Driscoll and School District Attorney Steve Downs.

"Thanks to the School Board for increasing the Board scholarships from \$300 to \$500 for one each at Northfield and Southwood (high schools.) This tradition started in 1994," stated the release.

### Regular meeting

Donations were accepted and approved for a total of \$ 5,155.55.

Northfield Jr./Sr. High School (NHS) would like to congratulate Jaxton Peas for winning the Bill Rogge Sportsmanship Award during the Boys' Wabash County Basketball Tournament. Northfield would also like to congratulate the Girls' Varsity Basketball Team. The Lady Norse won their third consecutive County Tourney and in doing so Emma Hoover was named tournament MVP. "NHS is very proud of her, the entire team, and coaching staff for their accomplishments," stated the release.

Southwood Jr./Sr. High School (SHS) recently received a message from the IHSA that two Exemplary Behavior Reports were submitted. According to the reports, one of the night's officials commented, "I wanted to commend Oak Hill and Southwood Girls Varsity Basketball Teams and Coaching Staffs for the great sportsmanship shown during their contest that I officiated for them. Every player and coach were very respectful during the whole contest. It is nice to officiate for teams and coaches that understand sportsmanship" This was for the Nov. 26, 2019 game

between the girls varsity and Oak Hill. Additionally, another message was sent about the girls' varsity basketball team in their game against Eastbrook on Dec. 4, 2019. According to the official's comments, "I wanted to commend Eastbrook and Southwood girls varsity basketball teams and coaching staffs for the great sportsmanship shown during their contest that I officiated for them. Every player and coach were very respectful during the whole contest. It is nice to officiate for teams and coaches that understand sportsmanship." SHS thanked the community, students, and staff members for their donations for the Student Congress Elementary Student Christmas Shopping Trip. Additionally, several staff members volunteered to receive pies in the face to raise money for this cause. All told, \$2,070 was spent on the Christmas Shopping Trip. "We're also pleased to report that no staff members received any bad haircuts as a result of the fund-raising efforts," stated the release. SHS congratulated Elissa Wiley as the School Selection Winner in the Heartland Career Center Commercial Photography Winter Street Banner Contest. Additionally, Southwood senior Carina Mason was a finalist for the award

as well. Heartland Career Center students recently participated in Techfest 2019 in Fort Wayne. In the Cyber Security Challenge, Weslee Nelson, SHS senior, was on the team that placed second among Indiana high school teams who participated in the contest. SHS congratulated Tammy Farlow for being accepted into the Bilateral Educator Exchange Program. During second semester, Farlow will host Denise Stroschon, a science teacher from Brazil. She will observe classes and the inner workings of SHS. As part of the program, Mrs. Farlow will travel to Brazil this summer. During the maintenance director presentation, Steve Holley shared the various certificates and skills his team has to be able to maintain the buildings. "His efforts along with his team do a great job," stated the release. During the superintendent report, Mike Keaffaber presented the State of MS-DWC, a review of 2019. "He highlighted the many accomplishments of the School District and looks forward to having a clear vision of the 2020 successes," stated the release. Kuhn reported that the Education Fund balance at the end of 2019 was \$4.9-plus million.

## Southwood releases honor roll lists for second quarter

By STAFF REPORT

Southwood Jr./Sr. High School has announced honor roll lists for the second quarter of the 2019-2020 school year, according to a press release.

### All A High Honor Roll Seventh grade

Luke Andrews, Quinn Claussen, Jaiya Corn, Grace Drake, Courtney Finney, Zoey Gaylourd, Rowan Goodpasture, Averi Haecker, Mason Hipskind, Keaton Metzger, Morgan Powell, Lucy Vandermark, Ian Vanderpool, Ryley Wilcox and Audri Winer.

### Eighth grade

Emma Adams, Macy Barney, Ashley Benavidez, Randall Boone, Carrie Collins, Madis-Anne Culver, Derek Deeter, Jaret Denney, Ethan Lochard, Libee Price, Micah Smith, Carley Whitesel and Will Winer.

### Ninth grade

Elise Adams, Bryn Mealy, Katelyn Ranck, Aleia Sweet, Alaina Winer and Makenna Younce.

### 10th grade

Beau Kendall, Haley Lanning and Bailey Wyatt.

### 11th grade

Maggie Ball, Skyler Claussen, Monica Hobson, Erin McGouldrick, Zachary Roudebush and Braden Sweet.

### 12th grade

Nicolas Berlier, Alexis Finney, Erin Lehner, Gordon Seacott, Jackson Simons, Daisy Sparks and Grant Whitham.

### All A/B Honor Roll Seventh grade

Dalton Barney, Elijah Boone, Taylor Cavins, Hannah Garrison, Luke Herring, Daedric Kaehr, Isabella Knotte, Gabriel Mealy, Hope Niccum, Meryn Norman, Cayden Richardson, Logan Robbotts, Makenna Snow, Duke Sparks, Rylee Thomas, Lydia Topliff, Massey Woodyard and Kayne Zahler.

### Eighth grade

Audrey Amos, Casey Boardman, Ethan Burkholder, Liliauna Combs, Jenna France, Abigail Guyer, Allie Haecker, Jordan Hart, Hayden Jones, Kinsley Miller, Bryce Rigney, Kendall Sarll, Sarah Smith, Kinzie Stouffer, Shyanne Stout, Graceland Swain, Noah Veals,

Izabelle Wagoner, and Caleb Wyatt.

### Ninth grade

Tobias Cummins, Megan Davis, Dean Elzy, Alice Guyer, Ella Hauptert, Zebadiah Her-ring, Morgan Lloyd, Allianah Lopez, Mark McNeeley, Sebastian Nickels, Meredith Norman, Jason Oprisek,

Drayson Pace, Lyndzy Silvers, Kyle Smith, Dylan Stout, Dakota Wilson and Cole Winer.

### 10th grade

Rylee Barney, Joshua Beachler, Joseph Bland, Isabelle Carpenter, Jarrett Craft, Mya Denney, Ethan Dyson,

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# What to know about the viral outbreak in China

**By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Health officials around the world are keeping a close watch on an outbreak of a new virus in China. In response, governments are stepping up surveillance of airline passengers arriving from the affected area to try to prevent the virus from spreading.

Here's what you should know about the illnesses:

**What is the disease?**

Scientists have identified it as a new kind of coronavirus. There are many known types of coronaviruses. Some cause the common cold. Others found in bats, camels and other animals have evolved into more severe illnesses such as SARS (severe acute respiratory syndrome) or MERS (Middle East respiratory syndrome).

**Why is it called a coronavirus?**

Corona comes from Latin and refers to crowns or halos. Under a microscope, these viruses resemble crowns or halos.

**When was the new virus found?**

The outbreak started late last month in the city of Wuhan in central China, apparently at a food market.

**How many people have it and how widespread is it?**

About 300 cases have been identified. There are about 260 cases in Wuhan, according to Chinese officials. Cases in other Chinese cities, including Beijing and Shanghai, total around 30. They were reported with the onset of an annual travel rush for the Lunar New Year holiday. Many Chinese travel abroad for the holiday and a few cases have been confirmed outside the mainland — in South Korea, Japan, Thailand and Taiwan. That travel rush is expected to spread the disease more widely.

**What are the symptoms?**

Common symptoms include a runny nose, headache, cough and fever. Shortness of breath, chills and body aches are associated with more dangerous kinds of coronavirus, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

**How is it treated?**

There are no specific medicines for the illness and no vaccine to prevent it. Symptoms are treated with pain and fever medicines, and people are advised to drink plenty of liquids and stay home and rest. Most people with common coronaviruses recover on their own.

## SOUTHWOOD

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Madison Hipskind, Maddison Hunter, Makenlie Lambert, Stephen Madaris, Jacob Marlow, Marissa Metzger, Trista Roser, Madison Sarll, Adam Seacott, Brayden Smith, Ashton Steele, Kloe Teulker and Tyler Whitesel.

**11th grade**

Chloe Adams, Logan Barley, Kaitlyn Beavers, Mariah Brown, Seirra Coleman, Isabel Davis, Emily DeVore, Alexander Farr, Jacob Figert, Adam Getz, Jack Guyer, Natalie Haycraft, Gracen Kelley, Capri

Lambert, Homero Lopez, Shantel Reecer-Crabtree, Carson Rich, Connor Rich, Elijah Sutton, Breklynne Swisher, Alix Winer and Mason Yentes.

**12th grade**

June Adams, Teri Beachler, Ariel Benner, Eric Carter, Dakota Culver, Payton Deeter, August Elliott, Dillion Filip, Carson Heath, Colton Jones, Shyla Judy, Kailey Leever, Carina Mason, Kayla Mays, Faith Napier, MaKenna Pace, Jaykumar Patel, Kirsten Pecsentye, Anne Ridgeway, Clara Snyder, Sierra Stout, Landon Topliff, Riley Whitesel, Elissa Wiley and Jaeden Younce.

# At 90, Alaska Native woman will be 1st counted in U.S. Census

**By MARK THIESSEN**  
Associated Press

TOKSOOK BAY, Alaska — Lizzie Chimiugak has lived for 90 years in the windswept western wilds of Alaska, born to a nomadic family who lived in mud homes and followed where the good hunting and fishing led.

Her home now is an outpost on the Bering Sea, Toksook Bay, and she is about to become the first person counted in the U.S. Census, taken every 10 years to apportion representation in Congress and federal money.

“Elders that were before me, if they didn’t die too early, I wouldn’t have been the first person counted,” Lizzie Chimiugak said, speaking Yup’ik language of Yugtun, with family members serving as interpreters. “Right now, they’re considering me as an elder, and they’re asking me questions I’m trying my best to give answers to, or to talk about what it means to be an elder.”

The decennial U.S. census has started in rural Alaska, out of tradition and necessity, ever since the U.S. purchased the territory from Russia in 1867. The ground is still frozen, which allows

easier access before the spring melt makes many areas inaccessible to travel and residents scatter to subsistence hunting and fishing grounds. The mail service is spotty in rural Alaska and the internet connectivity unreliable, which makes door-to-door surveying important.

The rest of the nation, including more urban areas of Alaska, begin the census in mid-March.

On Tuesday, Steven Dillingham, director of the census bureau, will conduct the first interview. Because of federal privacy laws, the bureau won’t even confirm Chimiugak will be the first person counted, even though it’s the worst kept secret in her hometown.

After the count, a celebration is planned at Nelson Island School, and will include local Alaska Native dancers and traditional food, which could include seal, walrus, musk ox and moose.

Robert Pitka, tribal administrator for Nunakauyak Traditional Council, hopes the takeaway message for the rest of the nation is of Yup’ik pride.

“We are Yup’ik people and that the world will see that we are very strong in our culture and our traditions

and that our Yup’ik language is very strong.”

For Chimiugak, she has concerns about climate change and what it might do to future generations of subsistence hunters and fishers in the community, and what it will do to the fish and animals. She plans to talk about it with others at the celebration.

“She’s sad about the future,” he eldest son Paul said.

Chimiugak was born just after the start of the Great Depression in the middle of nowhere in western Alaska, her daughter Katie Schwartz of Springfield, Missouri, said. Lizzie was one of 10 siblings born to her parents, who lived a nomadic lifestyle and traveled with two or three other families that would migrate together, her son said.

Lizzie and her 101-year-old sister from Nightmute, Alaska, survive.

In 1947 Lizzie married George Chimiugak, and they eventually settled in Toksook Bay after the town was founded in 1964 by residents of nearby Nightmute. There are five surviving children.

He worked maintenance at the airport and she did janitorial work at the old medical clinic and babysat.

Like other wives, she cleaned fish, tanned hides and even rendered seal oil after her husband came home from fishing or hunting. Her husband died about 30 years ago.

She is also a woman of strong Catholic faith, and told her son that she saved his life by praying over him after he contracted polio.

For her own hobbies, she weaved baskets from grass and remains a member of the Alaska Native dance group that will perform Tuesday, she dancing in her wheelchair.

She taught children manners and responsibility and continued the oral tradition of telling them stories with a storyknife.

Chimiugak used a knife in the mud to illustrate her stories to school children. She drew figures for people or homes. At the end of the story, she’d use the knife to wipe away the pictures and start the next story with a clean slate of mud.

“She’s a great teacher, you know giving us reminders of how we’re supposed to be, taking care of subsistence and taking care of our family and respecting our parents,” her granddaughter Alice Tulik said. “That’s how she would give us advice.”

## EMMANUEL

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**Second grade**

Brenden Draper, Andi Funfinn, Chamberlain Hawkins, Noah Kelley, Beckett Monroe, Gavin Moore, Makaylah Mugwisi, Gabriel West, Olivia Willis and Colton Young.

**Third grade**

Alaina Kinsey, Zander McKnight, Sarah Smelser and Madison Smith.

**Fourth grade**

Emma Smelser.

**Fifth grade**

Zion McKnight.

**Sixth grade**

Levi Smelser.

**A and B Honor Roll**

**First grade**

Adalyn Carver, Aiden Lowery and Adelaide Monroe.

**Third grade**

Neriaah Brewer and Jon Lowery.

**Fourth grade**

Anniston Cooper and Alison Niccum.

**Fifth grade**

Carter Hull and Brenen

Swisher.

**Sixth grade**

Jessica Kirtlan and Lindsey Pope.

**Jr/Sr High Principal's List**

**Seventh grade**

Zaney McKnight and Dylan Stensland.

**Eighth grade**

Erin Daniel and Haley Miller.

**Ninth grade**

Zoey McKnight, Japheth Niccum, Paige Ritzema and Isaac Smelser.

**10th grade**

Raelyn Coyne and Riley Miller.

**12th grade**

Ellie Daniel, JC Frank, Jack Niccum and Preston Ritzema.

**Jr/Sr Honor Roll**

**Seventh grade**

Destin Cunningham and Addison Kinsey.

**Eighth grade**

Emma Dyson and Danielle Reahard.

**Ninth grade**

Destini Goracke.





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## Quick Hits

### Browns WR Beckham has surgery on core muscle injury

CLEVELAND (AP) — Cleveland Browns star wide receiver Odell Beckham Jr. had surgery Tuesday to repair a core muscle injury.

Beckham played most of his first season in Cleveland with a sports hernia. He didn't miss a game, but the three-time Pro Bowler didn't make the same kind of game-breaking plays that made him so dangerous for the New York Giants.

The Browns said Beckham's operation was performed by Dr. Bill Meyers in Philadelphia. The team did not provide a timeline on his return but said Beckham is expected to make a full recovery.

Beckham, who was acquired in March in a blockbuster trade, had 74 catches for 1,035 yards last season. But he scored just four touchdowns, his fewest in a full season.

Last week, Beckham made news off the field for his behavior following LSU's national championship victory over Clemson in New Orleans. He was caught on video swatting a Superdome security officer's buttocks as the Tigers celebrated in their locker room.

### Investigators search home, gym of coach tied to Nassar

GRAND LEDGE, Mich. (AP) — Police on Tuesday searched the Michigan home and former gym of a gymnastics coach who had ties to disgraced sports doctor Larry Nassar, authorities said.

The Lansing State Journal posted photos of a man with a police coat carrying a box away from John Geddert's house in Grand Ledge, west of Lansing.

"Geddert was a U.S. Olympics gymnastics coach who worked closely with Dr. Larry Nassar and at whose gymnastics club, Twisters, many of the Nassar victims were abused," said Kelly Rossman-McKinney, spokeswoman at the attorney general's office.

No other details were released. A message seeking comment was left with an attorney who has been representing Geddert in civil lawsuits.

### Submit your news

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JACOB RUDE/PLAIN DEALER

Northfield's Emily Pennington receives a pass in the corner during a game earlier this season for the Norse.

# Norse look to bounce back after losses

By JACOB RUDE

sports@wabashplaindealer.com

In the penultimate week of the girls' basketball regular season, conference games are aplenty for Wabash County teams.

### Girls' basketball

**Northfield (12-6) at Madison-Grant, 7:30 p.m., Jan. 23; at Whitko, 7:00 p.m., Jan. 25**

With last week's pair of losses to Homestead and North Miami, the Northfield girls' basketball team dropped consecutive games in the same season for the first time since Jan. 21, 2017. The Norse will have a pair of games this week, though, that should help them get back on track.

On Thursday, Northfield travels to meet a Madison-Grant side that is 4-14 on the year. The Argylls have lost six straight contests, including a 15-point loss to a Maconaquah side that the Norse downed by 13 points themselves earlier this season.

Whitko will then host Northfield on Saturday in the penultimate Three Rivers Conference (TRC) game of the season. The Wildcats opened the season with a win before losing the last 12 games. Only two of those losses have come by fewer than 10 points.

As for the TRC title hopes of the Norse, they no longer control their own destiny. With two losses in conference play, the Norse would first need Roches-

ter to defeat Tippecanoe Valley on Thursday. Then, Northfield would have to knock off the Zebras in the regular season finale, resulting in a three-way tie atop the TRC between the Vikings, Zebras and Norse.

**Manchester (5-14) at Rochester, Jan. 25, 7:45 p.m.**

While a bid at a repeat as TRC champions is well out of the cards, the Squires can still play spoiler in the conference title race. Manchester travels to Rochester on Saturday before hosting Tippecanoe Valley in the final week of the regular season.

Last season, the Squires knocked off the Zebras 39-28. This season, though, the two sides are on different paths. Manchester has just five wins on the year while Rochester has just six losses with both having played 19 games.

The Zebras have lost just one TRC game, that coming to Maconaquah early in the season by one point. On the year, they're averaging 48.3 points per game while allowing 39.4 per contest.

**Wabash (9-9) vs. Cass, Jan. 22, 7:30 p.m.; vs. North Miami, Jan. 25, 7:45 p.m.**

The Apaches close the season with four games across a 10-day span, all coming at home. The run starts with a visit from a Cass

See **NORSE**, page B2

# Beanballs, boos, lost legacy? Astros, MLB brace for fallout

By BEN WALKER

AP Baseball Writer

AJ Hinch, Alex Cora and Carlos Beltrán lost their jobs in the wake of the Houston Astros' sign-stealing scam, leaving three teams without managers three weeks before the start of spring training.

On and off the field, the fallout from one of the biggest scandals in Major League Baseball history is bound to carry over. A look at what's on deck for the Astros and MLB:

### THE FIERS FACTOR

Whistleblower or whiner? Fact is, when A's pitcher Mike Fiers went public, MLB was forced to act. If he speaks anonymously, most likely his comments get whisked into the whispers bin.

### GETTING EVEN

Cleveland ace Mike Clevinger hinted at drilling Houston hitters. Others will, too. There was plenty of tough talk when Michael Jordan tried baseball and more when juiced-up sluggers teed off in the Steroids

Era. "Can you imagine if Nolan Ryan knew you were relaying his signs? You'd probably be missing a head," Mike Piazza said last week.

So will the beanballs fly? Not likely. That kind of retaliation just isn't a big part of the game anymore. Wouldn't be a shock to see some guys hit in the ribs and backside, perhaps on those wayward curveballs that now serve as purpose pitches. But Alex Bregman & Co. are bound to hear taunts everywhere they play outside Minute Maid Park, especially when they swing way over a slider: "Didn't know that was coming, did ya?"

### THE ASTERISKS

For a century, it's been the Black Sox — no one ever

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# Vikings pick up 5 additions to Pro Bowl, including Cousins

By DAVE CAMPBELL

AP Pro Football Writer

MINNEAPOLIS — The Minnesota Vikings have five additions to the NFC Pro Bowl roster, giving them eight players in the all-star game for their highest total in 10 years.

The NFL announced Tuesday that quarterback Kirk Cousins, defensive end Everson Griffen, fullback C.J. Ham, linebacker Eric Kendricks and cornerback Xavier Rhodes were picked as replacements. Running back Dalvin Cook, defensive end Danielle Hunter and safety Harrison Smith were originally selected for the exhibition Sunday in Orlando, Florida. The Vikings sent nine players to the Pro

Bowl after the 2009 season.

With San Francisco reaching the Super Bowl, defensive end Nick Bosa, fullback Kyle Juszczyk, tight end George Kittle and cornerback Richard Sherman automatically dropped out from the 49ers. That opened spots for Griffen, Ham, Rhodes and Atlanta tight end Austin Hooper.

Seattle linebacker Bobby Wagner was dealing with ankle and knee injuries that he said last week would likely keep him out of the Pro Bowl, paving the way for Kendricks to make it for the first time. Kendricks was a first team All-Pro selection.

Cousins will fill in for

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# Brady a headliner even in the Super Bowl he's not in it

By ARNIE STAPLETON

AP Pro Football Writer

Tom Brady is sitting out the Super Bowl for the first time since the Denver Broncos walloped him 23 times in the AFC championship four years ago, sending a hobbled Peyton Manning to the big game for his final hurrah.

Still, Brady's all the buzz even as the Kansas City Chiefs and San Francisco 49ers prepare for their Super Bowl 54 showdown in Miami on Feb. 2.

After teaming with Bill Belichick for a half dozen rings over their 18 years together in New England, Brady is on the cusp of becoming the biggest free agent to hit the open market since Manning in 2013, a

foray that featured news media helicopters following the quarterback's every visit.

"I am open-minded about the process and you know at the same time I love playing football and I want to continue to play and do a great job," Brady told Jim Gray on his Westwood One radio show on conference championship Sunday.

"So, I'm looking forward to what's ahead, whatever the future may bring, I will embrace it with open arms."

Brady, whose contract voids in March, has said he wants to play to age 45. He'll turn 43 in August.

If he leaves New England, it's clear Brady would want to go to a team ready to compete right away so he can get his shot at a record seventh Super Bowl title.

The Chargers, Titans and Colts all could prove enticing landing spots for Brady, whose Patriots (12-5) suffered their earliest exit from the playoffs in Brady's career when they lost to Tennessee 20-13 in the wild-card round on Jan. 4.

Brady had reached the AFC championship 13 times in his first 17 seasons, going 9-4 on his way to winning six Super Bowl rings.

Three of his title game losses came against Manning and the other one was against Joe Flacco.

Even as Patrick Mahomes and Jimmy Garoppolo, the vanguard of a new generation of mobile, mercurial quarterbacks who have vanquished the old guard,

get ready for Super Bowl 54, Brady's status remains the biggest story line as the NFL wraps up the yearlong celebration of its centennial season.

### SAFE BET

Another quarterback icon has found himself back in the news this week. Joe Montana issued a Super Bowl guarantee that's certainly a better bet than even Joe Namath's famous assurance that the New York Jets would upset the heavily favored Baltimore Colts in Super Bowl 3.

"You heard from me first. I GUARANTEE my team will win the SUPER BOWL!" tweeted Montana, who played 14 seasons in San Francisco and two in Kansas City.

### OBJ's OFFSEASON

Odell Beckham Jr. has made more noise in the off-season than he did in his first season in Cleveland.

The former LSU star made quite the spectacle at the college national championship game between his alma mater and Clemson last week.

First, he was captured on video interrupting the LSU band as he snared a megaphone and basically got in the way. Then, he came under scrutiny for apparently handing out cold, hard cash on the field after the game and finally, a video posted on social media appeared to show Beckham swatting a security officer's buttocks during LSU's locker room victory celebration at the

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The Associated Press Top 10 Indiana high school boys basketball teams, with first-place votes in parentheses, records, rating points and previous rankings:				
Class 4A				
	W-L	Pts	Prv	
1. Lawrence North (13)	14-0	278	1	
2. Bloomington South (1)	15-0	228	2	
3. Lawrence Central	14-2	218	3	
4. Brownsburg	12-1	202	5	
5. S. Bend Adams	13-1	117	T7	
6. Lafayette Jeff	14-2	115	4	
7. Indpls Pike	11-3	88	10	
8. Fishers	13-3	87	6	
9. Westfield	9-2	66	NR	
10. Indianapolis Attucks	9-3	61	NR	
Others receiving votes:				
Indpls Cathedral 55. Jeffersonville 36. Warren Central 36. Chesterton 27. Bloomington North 18. Floyd Central 16. Carroll (Allen) 16. Hamilton Southeastern 10. Lafayette Harrison 6.				

Class 3A				
	W-L	Pts	Prv	
1. Silver Creek (14)	11-1	280	1	
2. Danville	13-2	220	4	
3. Heritage Hills	10-3	202	3	
4. Norwell	12-1	172	5	
5. Mishawaka Marian	8-2	149	8	
(tie) Greensburg	12-2	149	6	
7. S. Bend St. Joseph's	9-3	124	2	
8. Hammond	9-2	87	10	
9. Delta	9-2	83	9	
10. Indian Creek	10-2	76	7	
Others receiving votes:				
Ev. Bosse 31. Mississinewa 27. Heritage Christian 18. Ft. Wayne Luers 16. Sullivan 16. Indpls Brebeuf 12. Beech Grove 8. Washington 6.				

Class 2A				
	W-L	Pts	Prv	
1. Shenandoah (8)	11-1	266	2	
2. Ft. Wayne Blackhawk (4)	11-2	244	1	
3. S. Decatur (2)	10-0	210	5	
4. Linton-Stockton	13-2	204	4	
5. Ev. Mater Dei	10-2	172	3	
6. Prairie Hts.	12-2	120	7	
7. Tipton	11-2	99	6	
8. S. Spencer	10-2	93	NR	
9. University	12-3	90	NR	
10. Central Noble	12-2	52	NR	
Others receiving votes:				
Westview 41. Forest Park 30. Indpls Howe 27. Paoli 15. Wapahani 9. Blackford 8.				

Class A				
	W-L	Pts	Prv	
1. Greenwood Chst (11)	13-0	266	2	
2. Gary 21st Century (2)	12-2	232	3	
3. Kouts (1)	10-1	216	4	
4. Barr-Reeve	12-1	196	1	
5. Lafayette Catholic	9-2	167	5	
6. Loogootee	11-3	161	8	
7. Bloomfield	9-3	115	6	
8. W. Washington	9-1	88	10	
9. N. Daviess	8-5	46	NR	
10. Covington	8-4	40	7	
(tie) Providence Cristo Rey 11-3	40	9		
Others receiving votes:				
Providence Cristo Rey 40. Dubois 38. Blue River 36. Christian Academy 31. Southwestern (Shelby) 8.				

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE										
Atlantic Division										
	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA			
Boston	50	28	10	12	68	166	133			
Tampa Bay	48	29	15	4	62	175	137			
Florida	48	27	16	5	59	179	160			
Toronto	49	25	17	5	57	176	165			
Buffalo	49	22	20	7	51	145	152			
Montreal	50	22	21	7	51	155	157			
Ottawa	48	17	23	8	42	130	163			
Detroit	50	12	34	4	28	107	195			
Metropolitan Division										
	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA			
Washington	49	33	11	5	71	177	144			
Pittsburgh	49	31	13	5	67	168	133			
N.Y. Islanders	48	28	15	5	61	139	130			
Columbus	50	26	16	8	60	134	127			
Carolina	49	28	18	3	59	153	131			
Philadelphia	49	26	17	6	58	155	150			
N.Y. Rangers	47	23	20	4	50	156	155			
New Jersey	48	17	24	7	41	126	173			

WESTERN CONFERENCE										
Central Division										
	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA			
St. Louis	49	30	11	8	68	158	134			
Colorado	49	28	15	6	62	179	143			
Dallas	48	27	17	4	58	125	120			
Winnipeg	49	25	20	4	54	148	152			
Chicago	50	24	20	6	54	152	157			
Nashville	47	22	18	7	51	156	154			
Minnesota	49	22	21	6	50	152	164			
Pacific Division										
	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA			
Vancouver	49	27	18	4	58	162	149			
Edmonton	49	26	18	5	57	155	153			
Calgary	50	26	19	5	57	135	147			
Vegas	51	25	19	7	57	159	156			
Arizona	51	26	20	5	57	146	138			
San Jose	50	21	25	4	46	130	167			
Anaheim	48	19	24	5	43	122	150			
Los Angeles	50	18	27	5	41	125	158			
NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss. Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs.										

Monday's Games										
Colorado 6, Detroit 3										
Florida 5, Minnesota 4										
Tuesday's Games										
Vegas at Boston										
Winnipeg at Carolina										
N.Y. Islanders at N.Y. Rangers										
Pittsburgh at Philadelphia										
Florida at Chicago										
Today's Games										
Winnipeg at Columbus, 7:30 p.m.										
Detroit at Minnesota, 8 p.m.										
Thursday's Games										
No games scheduled										
Friday's Games										
No games scheduled										

NFL

Conference Championships										
Sunday, Jan. 19										
Kansas City 35, Tennessee 24										
San Francisco 37, Green Bay 20										
Pro Bowl										
Sunday, Jan. 26										
At Orlando, Fla.										
AFC vs. NFC, 3 p.m. (ESPN)										
Super Bowl										
Sunday, Feb. 2										
Miami										
Kansas City vs. San Francisco, 6:30 p.m. (FOX)										

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE					
Atlantic Division					
	W	L	Pct	GB	
Toronto	29	14	.674	—	
Boston	28	14	.667	½	
Philadelphia	29	16	.644	1	
Brooklyn	18	24	.429	10½	
New York	12	32	.273	17½	
Southeast Division					
	W	L	Pct	GB	
Miami	30	13	.698	—	
Orlando	21	23	.477	9½	
Washington	14	28	.333	15½	
Charlotte	15	30	.333	16	
Atlanta	10	34	.227	20½	
Central Division					
	W	L	Pct	GB	
Milwaukee	39	6	.867	—	
Indiana	28	16	.636	10½	
Detroit	16	28	.364	22½	
Chicago	16	29	.356	23	
Cleveland	12	32	.273	26½	
WESTERN CONFERENCE					
Southwest Division					
	W	L	Pct	GB	
Dallas	27	15	.643	—	
Houston	26	16	.619	1	
Memphis	20	23	.465	7½	
San Antonio	19	23	.452	8	
New Orleans	17	27	.386	11	
Northwest Division					
	W	L	Pct	GB	
Denver	30	13	.698	—	
Utah	30	13	.698	—	
Oklahoma City	25	19	.568	5½	
Portland	19	26	.422	12	
Minnesota	15	28	.349	15	
Pacific Division					
	W	L	Pct	GB	
L.A. Lakers	34	9	.791	—	
L.A. Clippers	30	13	.698	4	
Phoenix	18	25	.419	16	
Sacramento	15	28	.349	19	
Golden State	10	35	.222	25	
Monday's Games					
Washington 106, Detroit 100					
Toronto 122, Atlanta 117					
Philadelphia 117, Brooklyn 111					
Milwaukee 111, Chicago 98					
New Orleans 126, Memphis 116					
New York 106, Cleveland 86					
Oklahoma City 112, Houston 107					
Orlando 106, Charlotte 83					



# Goodell’s stint atop NFL quite a roller-coaster ride

By **BARRY WILNER**  
AP Pro Football Writer

NEW YORK — During the fall of 2011, a couple of months after the NFL’s lockout of the players ended and the regular season began as scheduled, a class of graduate students was asked to rate the pro sports commissioners.

Roger Goodell stood first, far above his peers.

A few years later, after such issues as player misconduct, bounties and deflated football scandals, health and safety issues, and skyrocketing cost of tickets became prevalent, a similar class rated Goodell behind the NBA’s Adam Silver, the NHL’s Gary Bettman, and tied with MLS’ Don Garber.

But Goodell recently made Sports Business Journal’s top spot for sports executives.

Such is the roller coaster the head of the most popular and lucrative sport in America must ride.

Goodell gets praised for helping make the sport more available to fans, for embracing technology and new media, and for overseeing programs designed to enhance diversity — even if those programs aren’t quite making the impact the league projects.

His bosses, the 32 team owners, all very rich and powerful men and women, are thrilled that the league’s burgeoning revenues show no sign of dissipating. Those revenues have skyrocketed from \$6 billion in 2006, when Goodell replaced Paul Tagliabue, to more than \$15 billion now.

The players have benefited with ever-increasing salaries; the average wage in the league is nearing \$3 million, with the salary cap projected to approach \$200 million.

“Whatever disputes the players and union may have with Roger Goodell personally,” says Marc Ganis, president of SportsCorp, a Chicago-based consulting firm, and an adviser to several team owners, “one thing they all know and understand is that Roger and the team he has put together can generate so many additional revenues. It’s letting people do what they do best, and the NFL under Roger Goodell is extraordinary at increasing revenues, and the players understand this.”

Goodell was hired for several reasons. The owners wanted an insider who knew the functions of the league on all levels; only Goodell truly fit the bill. They also wanted someone willing to crack down on player misconduct — someone “tougher” than Tagliabue had been.

Goodell, 60, has led the NFL’s move into uncharted territory, first with fantasy football and now with legalized betting.

There are billions more to be earned there, and no one who does business with the NFL believes the league won’t find lucrative ways to monetize in those areas.

Yet there is unrest, and always will be, no matter who is the commissioner. Consider that while Goodell’s main charge is to do the owners’ bidding, he also has had to sanction or oppose in

court some of them — including such confidantes as New England’s Robert Kraft in the “Spygate” and the deflated football case involving Tom Brady, and Dallas’ Jerry Jones in the suspension of running back Ezekiel Elliott.

And, naturally, there is much discord from the players, who fiercely oppose Goodell’s iron hand in disciplinary issues; never mind that the players’ union approved once again those rights during the labor negotiations nine years ago. Those players also believe Goodell hasn’t stood firmly enough in supporting their protests against social and racial injustice, and that, despite no evidence to support the claim, he’s helped blackball Colin Kaepernick, who began the demonstrations during the national anthem back in 2016.

Goodell attempted to ease such criticism about the Kaepernick situation by having the league put together an unprecedented private workout in November for the former 49ers quarterback. That spiraled into an almost-comical series of machinations possibly caused by Kaepernick’s insistence on certain conditions for the session, or the league’s intransigence. Or both.

The NFL insists it went far beyond the normal workout standards to alleviate Kaepernick’s concerns, changing the order of the session; allowing him his own receivers; filming the workout with Kaepernick’s people supervising; and allowing Kaepernick’s side to control what questions were asked of him.

The NFL insisted its intent was to provide the quarterback with an opportunity to showcase his skills. Kaepernick’s friend and ex-teammate Eric Reid, meanwhile, called it a “publicity stunt.”

It should be remembered that Goodell didn’t (or couldn’t prevent) the owners’ ill-advised attempt to govern such protests by coming up with a rule that would not allow demonstrations on the sideline, but would allow players to stay in the locker room during the national anthem. He quietly negotiated with the NFLPA to essentially shelve the rule before it was ever put into practice.

Goodell deserves blame for making some very ill-advised decisions, most notably in suspending Ravens running back Ray Rice for only two games for assaulting his then-fiancée in 2014. Then a video of the incident went viral, and soon the NFL was reconstructing the personal conduct policy, with the players’ union complaining it wasn’t consulted in that recasting.

Goodell apologized for that misstep. “At times, however, and despite our best efforts, we fall short of our goals,” Goodell wrote in a letter to NFL owners. “We clearly did so in response to a recent incident of domestic violence. We allowed our standards to fall below where they should be and lost an important opportunity to emphasize our strong stance on a critical issue and the effective programs we have in place.

“My disciplinary decision led the

public to question our sincerity, our commitment, and whether we understood the toll that domestic violence inflicts on so many families. I take responsibility both for the decision and for ensuring that our actions in the future properly reflect our values. I didn’t get it right. Simply put, we have to do better. And we will.”

He’s also been failed by his investigative forces in several cases, most notably the Saints’ bounties program. In late 2012, Tagliabue overturned the suspensions of four players — after being appointed by Goodell to handle appeals. While Tagliabue confirmed that three players were engaged in conduct detrimental to the game, he vacated the suspensions because, he said, “this entire case has been contaminated by the coaches and others in the Saints’ organization.”

Balancing such bobbles are many praiseworthy initiatives undertaken or enhanced under Goodell. The league’s support of the fight against cancer in October and its embrace of the military in November are noteworthy moves. Long-term commitments to national nonprofit organizations such as the National Domestic Violence Hotline and the National Sexual Violence Resource Center under his watch should be lauded.

The “My Cause My Cleats” campaign allowed players to express their support for dozens of causes while also raising money for those issues. Goodell had a strong hand in that program.

Goodell’s attempts to cure the woes of the inconsequential exhibition games in the preseason and the Pro Bowl soon should result in key changes.

When he has seen on-field incidents he abhors — dirty hits, launching, or egregious officiating mistakes — he has put pressure on the league’s powerful competition committee and on the owners to get them fixed. Some have worked, some can’t quite be judged yet.

The NFL’s work on the international front has helped popularize abroad a game that was almost totally foreign to non-Americans.

And look what moving around the NFL draft has done to essentially a non-action event. The general view had been that New York was the right place for the draft because of its media presence. Yet in Chicago, Philadelphia, Dallas and Nashville, it has turned into perhaps the second-most popular NFL event behind the Super Bowl.

Who can’t wait to see whether Las Vegas can outdo Nashville as host in April?

“The commissioner was at the center of all of that in terms of recognizing the potential,” says Peter O’Reilly, who oversees NFL special events. “I think he would never tell you he would imagine 600,000 people on Lower Broadway in Nashville. But he recognized the opportunity to make it our second-biggest tent-pole moment. It’s free and accessible and full of hope for every team and fan.”

# Tua, Young among juniors granted eligibility for NFL draft

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Alabama quarterback Tua Tagovailoa, Ohio State defensive end Chase Young and Wisconsin running back Jonathan Taylor were among 99 juniors granted eligibility by the NFL into the draft.

The NFL on Tuesday released the official list of 120 players who gave up college eligibility to enter the draft. Most, such as Tagovailoa, Young and Taylor, previously made their intentions public.

Players less than four years removed from high school who have not completed a degree need to be granted special entry to the draft by the NFL.

Among the 120 are 16 players with college eligibility remaining who notified the NFL they had completed degree requirements and were therefore eligible to be selected in the April 23-25 draft to be held in Las Vegas.

That group of 16 includes Clemson All-America line-backer Isaiah Simmons and Utah State quarterback Jordan Love. Five more players with eligibility remaining inquired about draft status but did not need special entry, including Michigan line-backer Josh Uche.

The total of 120 players who left behind college el-

igibility to enter the draft is down from the record 132 last season. The 99 juniors granted early entry by the league is also down from 103 last year. A record 106 juniors entered the draft without completing degrees in 2018. That was the first year that number reached triple digits.

Since 2014, at least 95 underclassmen entered the draft without completing their degrees in every season but 2015, when the number was 74.

Defending national champion LSU had nine of the 120 players to leave behind college eligibility, the most of any school, including safety Grant Delpit, receiver Justin Jefferson and running back Clyde Edwards-Helaire.

Alabama was next with six players. Receiver Jerry Jeudy and tackle Jedrick Wills were among the Crimson Tide players joining Tagovailoa.

Taylor was one of 20 running backs who decided to enter the draft with eligibility remaining, though three star runners notably returned to school.

Clemson’s Travis Etienne, Alabama’s Najee Harris and Oklahoma State’s Chub Hubbard, who led the nation in rushing last season, will be back in college 2020.

# Magic at Stern memorial: I’m going to miss my angel

By **BRIAN MAHONEY**  
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NEW YORK — David Stern was remembered Tuesday as a mentor and a leader, a Little League parent and a loyal friend.

To Magic Johnson, he was an angel.

Johnson tearfully recalled Stern’s firm support after the Hall of Fame player learned he had HIV, and how it was the former NBA commissioner allowing him to play in the 1992 All-Star Game despite some players’ fears that kept his spirits up during the darkest time of his life.

“That game saved my life,” Johnson said.

Johnson was one of the speakers at a memorial service for Stern, who died Jan. 1 at age 77 after suffering

a brain hemorrhage a few weeks earlier.

Radio City Music Hall was filled with what Commissioner Adam Silver called one of the greatest collections of basketball talent in one location, from mighty big men Bill Russell and Yao Ming to dazzling distributors such as Johnson and Isiah Thomas.

They listened to stories hailing Stern not only for his brilliance as a businessman, but for his commitment to social responsibility and his love of his family. Speakers, ranging from colleagues in the league to friends from before he arrived there, talked of how Stern would help people arrange doctor’s appointments and score All-Star tickets.

Stern spent 30 years as commissioner, the league’s longest-serving leader.

# Kyle Busch has 2 NASCAR titles and an eye on at least 5 more

By **JENNA FRYER**  
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DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — The way Kyle Busch sees it, there is a flaw in the championship ring NASCAR awarded him last month.

It lacks any indication that the 2019 title was actually his second championship. Busch wants it fixed so it displays exactly what he’s earned. He has studied the issue and knows the New England Patriots created a ring that showcases their six Super Bowl victories.

When his career is over, Busch wants just one ring to encapsulate his accomplishments. He insists he will close his career alongside greats Richard Petty, Dale Earnhardt and Jimmie Johnson.

But he doesn’t have seven Cup Series titles.

“Not yet I don’t,” Busch said with a wink.

Busch’s bid for a third championship doesn’t begin until Feb. 16 at the Daytona 500, a race he desperately wants to win. Busch is 0 for 14 in “The Great American Race” with a bitter runner-up finish to Joe Gibbs Racing teammate Denny Hamlin in last year’s 1-2-3 Gibbs sweep.

He has won at every active NASCAR track except The Roval at Charlotte Motor Speedway yet his 56 career Cup victories do not include

the Daytona 500. His warm-up begins this weekend at the Rolex 24 at Daytona, a twice-round-the-clock endurance race featuring champions from series all over the world.

The event is packed with Indianapolis 500 winners, Le Mans winners and some of the most skilled drivers from global series. Busch is on hand to steal the show.

His longtime partnership with Toyota got him the gig to drive a Lexus for the AIM Vasser Sullivan team, and Busch is the star attraction. He loves it, too, and at a January team dinner he wore that ring. For one night, he seemed as if he was that once-upon-a-time fun Kyle Busch.

He was just 16 when he first came into NASCAR in 2001, right as the series was passing a rule that sidelined him until his 18th birthday. He was brash even then — it’s some chip he and older brother Kurt have just always seemed to have, though he was tame compared with Kurt, the 2004 champion.

Kyle Busch has always done his best to speak the truth as he sees it, one sarcastic eye roll, thumbs-up or one-word answer at a time.

His opinions have not always been popular with NASCAR and it makes no difference whether he was right. The series’ “Car of Tomorrow” was terrible, he

was just the first to say so and his outspokenness was often blamed for fans hating the car. Many fans found him arrogant, entitled or whiny or a mix of all three.

His career has been golden: high-profile rides first at Hendrick Motorsports, then JGR, where he has been since 2008. Busch has 208 victories across NASCAR’s three national series, and some argue his tally equals Petty’s record 200 Cup wins. He would undoubtedly have dozens more if NASCAR had not set limits on how much he can compete in the lower series.

The dominating way he wins, his brash celebrations, his disregard for those who boo him and all those wins have made Busch something of a villain, and that doesn’t always put him in the best of moods. Toss in a bad day at the track, plus idle time each weekend because NASCAR only allows him a maximum of five Truck Series races (he went 5 for 5 last season) and seven in the Xfinity Series (4 for 7), and Busch can be a real bear.

So it was a very long summer, and a 21-race losing streak didn’t help. He lashed out in the opening race of the playoffs last September when he ran into the back of a lapped car and accused some in the field of not being qualified to race at NASCAR’s top level.

Busch says that incident is one of the reasons he is running the Rolex this weekend. His Vasser Sullivan entry is in the GT Daytona class, where Busch will be mired in traffic with slower cars and inexperienced drivers with the faster classes closing in on him. It will be chaotic.

“Cody Ware says he can’t drive and watch his mirrors?” Busch said referring to the lapped-car flap in September. “Watch this.”

Busch then flipped his middle finger.

Although Busch ran into the lapped car of Garrett Smithley at Las Vegas, he was targeting Ware, who wasn’t in that playoff race. The entire flap led to a heated discussion about on-track etiquette, talent discrepancies and drivers who purchase their seats in the big leagues. Ware was scheduled to compete in the Rolex 24 this weekend but his team pulled out late Monday.

In the Nov. 17 season finale, Busch beat Gibbs teammates Hamlin and Martin Truex Jr., as well as Kevin Harvick, to join Johnson as the only active drivers with multiple titles. Of course, Johnson is tied with Hall of Famers Petty and Earnhardt for the record, but Johnson is retiring at the end of the year. Busch turns just 35 and has twice proven he can rise through adversity to finish

the job and doesn’t appear to be going anywhere anytime soon.

He won his 2015 championship in a season where he missed 11 races because he broke both his legs in a crash the day before the Daytona 500. His 2019 season had its share of personal struggles as Busch and his wife, Samantha, have been very public in their battles with infertility.

Their only child, son Brexton, was conceived through IVF treatments and their quest to give him a sister suffered a heartbreaking setback when Samantha miscarried the day of the 2018 awards ceremony in Las Vegas. The couple tried unsuccessfully again during last season, and Busch used a portion of his championship speech to address their struggles.

“I’m right here with you knowing how hard its been to go through multiple, yes multiple, failed attempts of IVF this year, to walk around and try to face people week to week, always knowing in the back of my mind how helpless I feel in life knowing how much I wanted to answer your prayers in giving you the gift of our baby girl,” Busch told her.

Busch is typically able to separate his personal and professional lives, but when things aren’t going well in either area, his temper can be

short and his sarcasm biting.

“Think about his whole life. He’s got Sam and Brexton, but other than that, it’s racing,” said Joe Gibbs. “And when something goes bad in racing for him, think about how important that is, and it upsets him. Normally, the next day he’s a lot better.”

Busch has a legion of fan support from “Rowdy Nation,” the group he bows to with the checkered flag after every victory. Busch appreciates their backing beyond words, especially when he gets exhausted by the politics of a new NASCAR rules package and the grind of the 38-race schedule. Busch has other things to worry about, too: He owns the best truck team in the sport, and this year he will launch “Rowdy Energy” an energy drink Busch says he helped develop.

“Mine’s going to be better, better for you and better tasting,” Busch insisted.

Busch has not been this outwardly happy in ages. Perhaps it comes with being the champion again, and the absolute belief that he can be the best NASCAR has ever seen.

The Daytona 500 is right around the corner, and a poor showing there could just as quickly send Busch scowling through the garage. He is always just one win away from feeling invincible.



# Man with history of cheating is caught on ‘hook-up’ sitesheadline

**DEAR ABBY:** I just found out my husband of 18 years has been going to “hook-up” websites. He says he was just looking at the pictures, but I don’t believe him. I have caught him cheating twice in the past, so it’s hard to trust him.

**Dear Abby**



My problem is, he knows I can’t leave him because I have no job, no skills, no money – nothing. I went right from my parents’ house to living with him after our wedding. We have six kids and one on the way. He will continue to go to these websites because he knows I am stuck. What should I do? – Soon-to-be Mother Of Seven

**DEAR SOON-TO-BE MOTHER OF SEVEN:** The first thing you should do is see your doctor and be checked for STDs. If you are well, thank your higher power. If you aren’t, get treatment, get well and talk to a lawyer. Your situation may not be as hopeless as you think.

Have you any relatives or friends you can stay with when you leave, change your life and become self-supporting? It may require job training and time, but please consider it.

I doubt your husband will have much time for philandering if he has six kids to take care of by himself in addition to his job. I also doubt that few, if any, women he might be hooking up with would welcome becoming the instant mother of six. And one more thing, from now on, please use birth control.

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been divorced for 30 years. During this time, my ex-wife has rarely spoken to me, and in the last 10 years said not one word to me. There have been many occasions and events at my son’s home to celebrate my granddaughter’s birthday, etc. My ex and many other people attend, but basically, no one speaks to me. I am totally ignored.

I have a strong hunch that during the divorce my ex told people I hit or abused her. (Not true!) She told my sister something to this effect. I believe it was a ploy to distract from the fact she had been cheating on me. Regardless, this situation is extremely hurtful and unpleasant. Any ideas how to deal with this? – Ostracized And Paralyzed

**DEAR O. & P.:** Have you tried to initiate a conversation? Have you asked these people why they give you the silent treatment? They’re fair questions.

After 30 years, it is a little late to correct the mindset your ex may have caused these relatives to have about you. But if at this late date you try to spread the word that she was cheating, it will accomplish nothing positive, and I don’t advise it.

P.S. If the silence continues, then I recommend you bring someone – a friend or a date – with you to these gatherings. At least you will have someone to talk to.

**DEAR ABBY:** I have an acquaintance I see occasionally. He recently told me he is getting married. When I congratulated him, I wanted to ask who the lucky groom is because I have often thought he was gay, but I found out he’s marrying a woman. What’s the appropriate way to ask this question nowadays since all of us can marry, I am happy to say. – Pondering In Nevada

**DEAR PONDERING:** A subtle way to ask that question would be, “Congratulations! What’s your lucky fiancé’s (-ee’s) name?”

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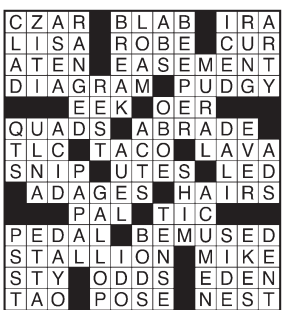
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- 42 Shrimp entree
- 45 Bug
- 49 Game played on horseback
- 50 Gutter locale
- 52 Type of cookie
- 53 Locale
- 54 Shut noisily
- 55 Doctors’ org.
- 56 High schooler
- 57 Singer — Turner
- 58 — Kippur

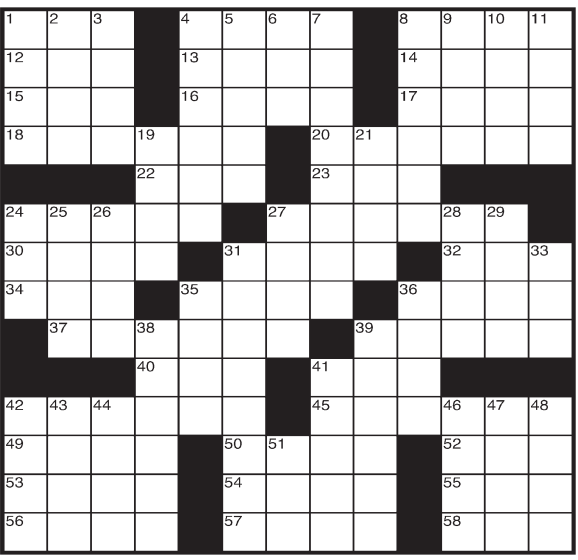
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- 3 Umpire’s call
- 4 Yields slightly
- 5 Made a mistake
- 6 Turkish potentate

### Answer to Previous Puzzle



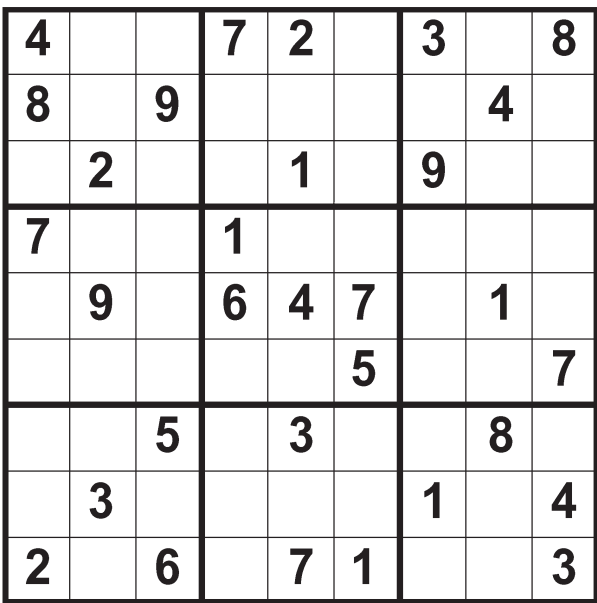
- 7 Raze
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- 21 Klutz’s mutter
- 24 Dog sound
- 25 Spinks of the ring
- 26 Not twice
- 27 Blastoff org.
- 28 Quiz
- 29 Enjoy a banquet
- 31 Most cumbersome
- 33 Is, to Fritz
- 35 Sizable swallow
- 36 Marshes
- 38 Cry about
- 39 Movies
- 41 Couch
- 42 Disagreement
- 43 Innermost part
- 44 Helm position
- 46 Online auction
- 47 Hunter’s wear
- 48 Ore hauler
- 51 “Rope-a-dope” boxer



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## SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆



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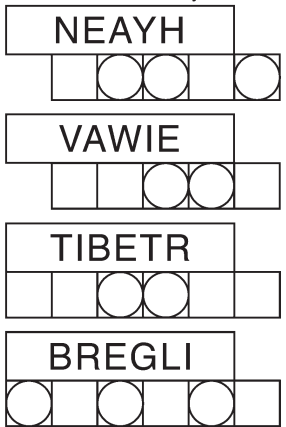
How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

### PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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## JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.



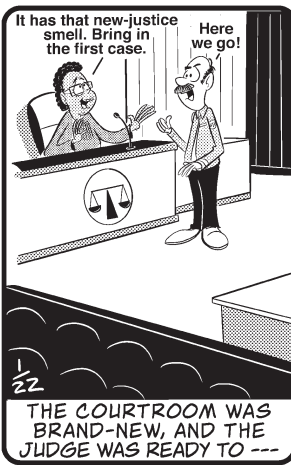
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Yesterday’s Jumbles: BRAND MOGUL NOGGIN TURNIP Answer: On the morning of the marathon, she needed to be — RUNNING ALONG

### THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

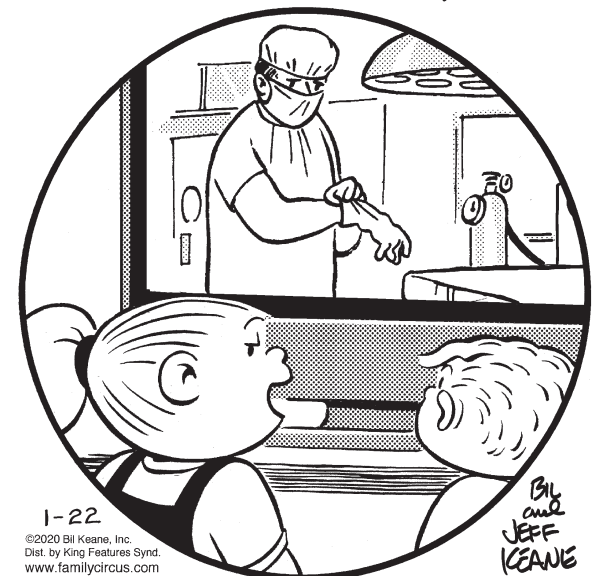


Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

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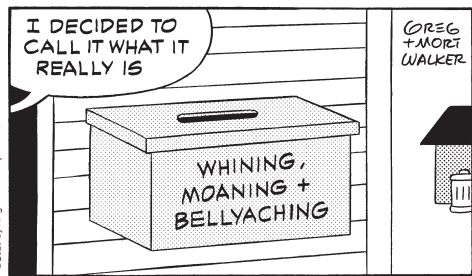
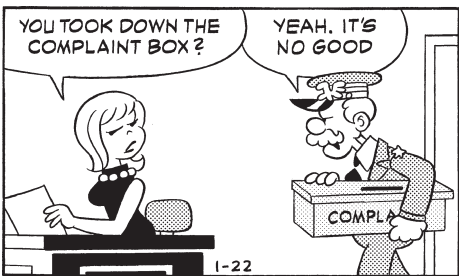
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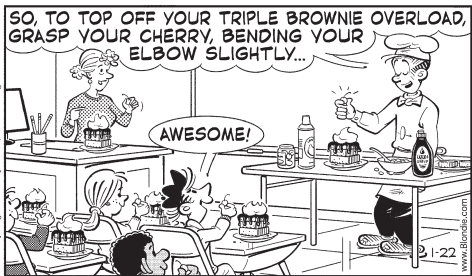
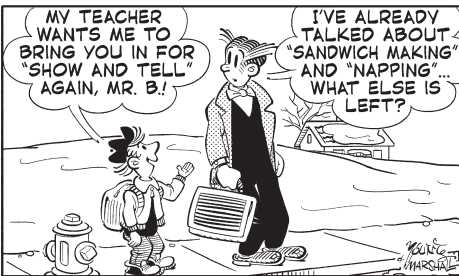
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“I think he’s going to do the dishes.”

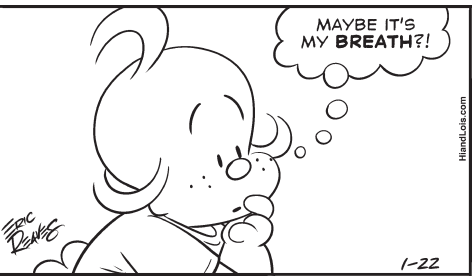
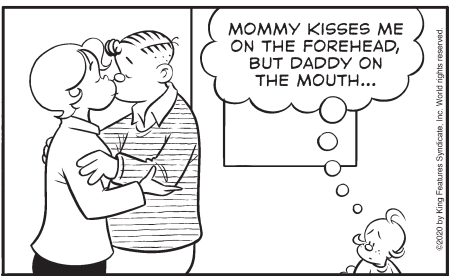
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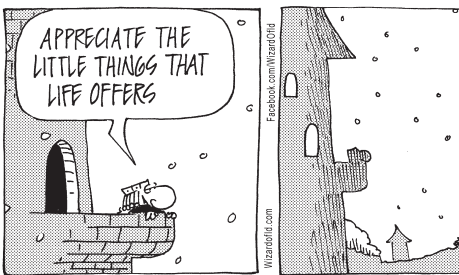
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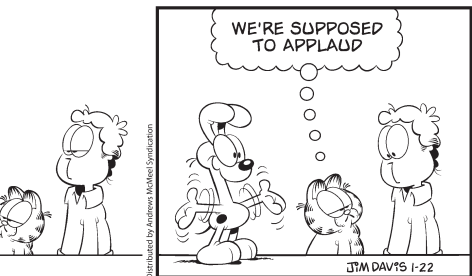
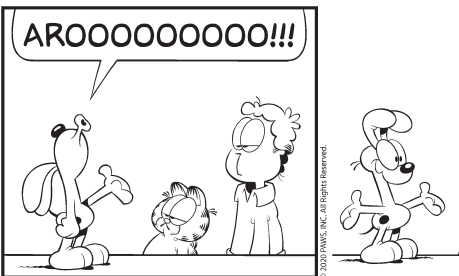
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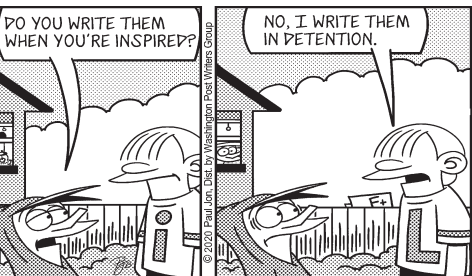
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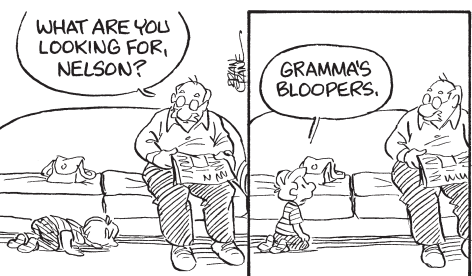
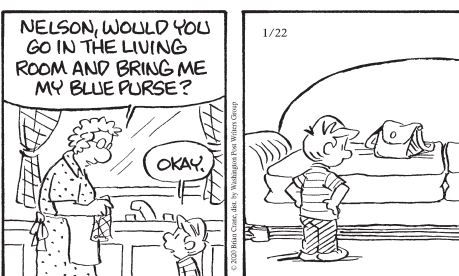
## GARFIELD



## FORT KNOX



## PICKLES



## Praise should be on our lips and in our hearts

From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

**Q:** There is so much talk in church about praising the Lord, but I don’t hear too much about repenting. Is praising God really about music? — S.L.

**A:** “Praise and worship” has become a cliché. Praising the Lord is not something we’re called to do on Sunday morning. It’s a way of life — praising God no matter what we do or where we are.

When we are discouraged, “praise Him” (Psalm 42:5). Praise to God is the antidote for every trouble. When we praise Him, we’re worshipping Him by keeping our eyes on Him. Scripture speaks of praising the Lord continually, past, present, and future. Praise should be on our lips and in our hearts; in our thinking, speaking, and

singing; but most of all in how we live.

The patriarchs praised the Lord throughout the generations. The prophets praised Him for deliverance. The apostles praised Christ in all of His glory, and the people praised the Messiah who came and is coming again. The praise did not flow only in times of victory, but also in times of imprisonment, in times of despair, and in the face of death.

One of the most compelling passages about praise, however, is when Jesus Himself

praised His Father in Heaven for revealing the truth to the people whose ears and hearts had been opened to the Gospel. He had been preaching this message to Jewish leaders, but they rejected His message and sought to kill Him. He rebuked them for scoffing at those who had received His Word with gladness (Matthew 11:25). Our lives should reflect the praise of the One who redeems lost souls. It should be demonstrated in our lives because this will be the grandeur of Heaven, praising Him eternally.

## CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

“O J ’ N A C P F A H — U N D U P X W J N ,  
T P U W G D U P X W J N , U C W J N , C W V Y X N —  
J A S O W G H A A I N A C P I O G N U P X T A O W T  
J A Y O I X .” — F U Z X N D U J J X P N A W

Previous Solution: “Honesty is the best part of any art form. If you don’t have that, you’re kidding yourself and your listener. — Billy Joel

TODAY’S CLUE: J s i n b e s f



# 100s in river ‘no-man’s land’ after Mexico troops block way

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*Associated Press*

CIUDAD HIDALGO, Mexico — Hundreds of Central American migrants were stranded in a sort of no-man’s land on the river border between Guatemala and Mexico after running up against lines of Mexican National Guard troops deployed to keep them from moving en masse into the country and on north toward the U.S.

Naked children played amid the sand and trash Monday evening as clothing and shoes hung from the trees to dry along the Suchiate River, normally a porous waterway plied all day by rafts ferrying people and goods across. Men grilled a fish over a small fire below the border bridge, and migrants bedded down under blankets on the banks or dry sections of the riverbed without knowing what might come next.

The path forward was blocked Monday by Mexican troops with riot shields, and about 100 National Guard agents continued to form a barrier with anti-riot gear into the night. But a return home to impoverished and gang-plagued Honduras, where most of the migrants are from, was unthinkable.

“We are in no-man’s land,” said Alan Mejía, whose 2-year-old son was cradled in his arms clad only in a diaper as his wife, Ingrid Vanesa Portillo, and their other son, 12, gazed at the riverbanks. Mejía joined in five previous migrant caravans but never made it farther than the Mexican border city of Tijuana.

“They are planning how to clear us out, and here we are without water or food,” said a desperate Portillo. “There is no more hope for going forward.”

Unlike was often the case with previous caravans, there was no sign of humanitarian aid arriving for those stuck at the river.

Thongs waded across the Suchiate into southern Mexico on Monday hoping to test U.S. President Donald Trump’s strategy to keep Central American migrants away from the U.S. border. The push also challenged Mexico’s ramped-up immigration policing that began last year in response to threats of economic tariffs from Trump, a change that effectively snuffed out the last caravan in April.

Some scuffled with National Guard troops on the riverbank while others slipped through the lines and trudged off on a rural highway, with most taken into custody later in the day. Still others were taken into custody on the spot or chased into the brush. Some migrants hurled rocks at the police, who huddled behind their plastic shields and threw some of the rocks back.

Most of the migrants, however, stayed at the river’s edge or stood in its waters trying to decide their next move after being blocked earlier in the day from crossing the bridge linking Tecun Uman, Guatemala, with Ciudad Hidalgo, Mexico.

“We never thought they would receive us like that,” said Melisa Ávila, who traveled from the Honduran capital of Tegucigalpa with her 12-year-old son and was

resigning herself to the prospect of spending the night outdoors. “They treated us like dogs.”

In an approach that developed after the first migrant caravan in late 2018, Mexican officials seem to be succeeding in their effort to blunt large-scale incursions by breaking up the mass of people repeatedly and into increasingly smaller groups. Over the weekend, government officials convinced about 1,000 people they should enter legally via the bridge.

The National Immigration Institute issued a statement saying it would detain any migrants in the country illegally, hold them in detention centers and deport those who did not legalize their status. Any who made it through and continued north could expect a gauntlet of highway checkpoints.

As feared, children suffered in the chaos. On the Mexican bank an unconscious 14-year-old girl was carried away for medical attention Monday.

Later along the highway, a mother sobbed after realizing her youngest daughter had been separated when migrants tried to escape authorities. Another migrant who had been helping her by carrying the 5-year-old ran in another direction when the migrants scattered and she hadn’t been able to locate them.

Back at the river, Ávila, who had befriended the woman at a shelter in Tecun Uman, walked along the bank showing everyone a picture of the daughter.

“Have you seen this little girl?” Ávila asked other mi-

grants. “Blue pants, beige shirt and little pink shoes.”

The Guatemalan government issued new data saying that 4,000 migrants had entered that country through the two primary crossings used by the migrants last week, and over the weekend nearly 1,700 entered Mexico at two crossings. It said 400 had been deported from Guatemala.

The Immigration Institute said late Monday in a statement that about 500 migrants had entered irregularly and announced the “rescue” of 402 of them – using the term it frequently employs to describe migration detentions; It said the latter were taken to holding centers and offered medical care.

The institute said five National Guard troops were hurt but did not give details.

While Mexico says the migrants are free to enter if they do so through official channels – and could compete for jobs if they want to stay and work – in practice, it has restricted such migrants to the impoverished southernmost states while their cases are processed by a sluggish bureaucracy.

When the rocks began flying at the river Monday, Elena Vásquez, a fearful for the safety of her two wailing sons, bolted back to the Guatemalan side where she would later spend the night. Exhausted after a week on the road, the 28-year-old from Olancho, Honduras, vowed to endure and hoped Mexican authorities would have a change of heart.

“I am going to wait as long as necessary. God will open the gates for us,” Vásquez said.

## Backatcha: Thunberg returns Trump’s climate jibe

By **PAN PYLAS**  
and **JAMEY KEATEN**  
*Associated Press*

DAVOS, Switzerland — Greta Thunberg isn’t easily intimidated.

The 17-year-old Swedish activist wasted little time on Tuesday to push back against U.S. President Donald Trump’s description of climate campaigners as “the perennial prophets of doom” who predict the “apocalypse.”

Though Trump didn’t mention her directly in his speech at the World Economic Forum in the Swiss Alpine resort of Davos, it was clear he had his sights on Thunberg, who shot to fame a year ago by staging a regular strike at her school and sparked a global environmental movement. She then beat the U.S. president to receive Time Magazine’s award as the 2019 Person of the Year.

“The facts are clear, but they are still too uncomfortable for you to address,” she told business and political leaders in Davos just after Trump’s speech, also without directly mentioning the president.

“You just leave it because you think it’s too depressing and people will give up, but people will not give up. You are the ones who are giving up.”

Thunberg brushed aside Trump’s announcement that the U.S. would join the economic forum’s initiative to

plant 1 trillion trees across the globe to help capture carbon dioxide from the Earth’s atmosphere.

“Planting trees is good of course but it’s nowhere near enough,” Thunberg said. “It cannot replace mitigation,” she added, referring to efforts to drastically cut emissions in the near term.

Thunberg accused leaders of “cheating and fiddling around with numbers” with talk of cutting emissions to ‘net zero’ – that is, emitting no more carbon than is absorbed by the planet or technical means – by 2050.

She and Trump have been sparring for months, but Thunberg did not seek to upstage the U.S. leader by walking out of his speech, which was largely focused on trade and economics instead of the climate issues that the WEF has made a focus of at its meeting this year.

Last month, Trump told Thunberg in a tweet to “chill” and to “work on her Anger Management problem.” It prompted a dry and humorous response from Thunberg, who then changed her Twitter caption to read: “A teenager working on her anger management problem. Currently chilling and watching a good old-fashioned movie with a friend.”

Earth just finished its hottest decade on record with the five last years as the five

hottest years on record, according to U.S. and other science agencies. Scientists repeatedly point to more extreme weather as a problem worsened by human-caused climate change. There have been 44 weather and climate disasters in the United States that caused at least \$1 billion in damage since 2017, killing 3,569 people, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Thunberg is not the only young activist to highlight the climate emergency, and was joined on a keynote panel by three others, all of whom said politicians and executives are not doing enough.

A survey of CEOs released this week by financial firm PwC showed that executives rank climate issues as only the 11th most serious risk to their businesses’ growth.

Natasha Wang Mwansa, an 18-year-old from Zambia who campaigns for girls’ and women’s rights, said “the older generation has a lot of experience, but we have ideas, we have energy, and we have solutions.”

And Salvador Gómez-Colón, who raised funds and awareness after Hurricane María devastated his native Puerto Rico in 2017, said young activists are doing more than just talking.

“We’re not waiting five, 10, 20 years to take the action

we want to see. We’re not the future of the world, we’re the present, we’re acting now. We’re not waiting any longer.”

Thunberg cited a report released in 2018 by the U.N.’s science panel that calculated the amount of additional carbon dioxide the atmosphere can absorb before global average temperature increases exceed 2.7 Fahrenheit. Leaders agreed to try to stay below that threshold when they signed the 2015 Paris climate accord, but scientists warn the chances of doing so are dwindling.

Thunberg noted that the remaining carbon “budget” to confidently meet that target stood at just 420 gigatons of CO2 two years ago, the equivalent of 10 years of global emissions. Even with a more optimistic calculation, keeping the global temperature rise below 1.5 C would require a massive reduction in emissions over the next two decades.

While there has been widespread criticism both inside and outside the United States over Trump’s decision to pull the U.S. out of the 2015 Paris climate accord, Thunberg said the rest of the world, too, was effectively missing the targets set down in that agreement.

“My generation will not give up without a fight,” Thunberg said.

## Prince Harry reunites with Meghan and Archie in Canada

By **ROB GILLIES**  
*Associated Press*

TORONTO — Prince Harry has reunited with his wife Meghan in Canada as he steps back from royal duties.

Video from Sky News shows Harry landing at Victoria’s airport on Vancouver Island late Monday. The prince, Meghan and their 8-month-old son Archie were reportedly staying at at mansion on the island off Canada’s Pacific coast. The video shows Harry stepping off a small passenger plane and getting into a SUV on the tarmac.

Buckingham Palace said Tuesday it would not comment on private matters.

The palace announced Saturday that the prince and

his wife will give up public funding and try to become financially independent. The couple, who were named the Duke and Duchess of Sussex on their wedding day, are expected to spend most of their time in Canada while maintaining a home in England near Windsor Castle in an attempt to build a more peaceful life.

A photographer spotted a smiling Meghan on a hike with Archie and her two dogs, trailed by her security detail, on Vancouver Island on Monday. Lawyers for Meghan and Harry have issued a legal warning to U.K. media over the use of paparazzi photos. The BBC and Sky News reported that the photographs were taken by photographers

hiding in the bushes and spying on her.

The couple spent the holiday season on the island, but it’s unclear where in Canada they will settle. Meghan worked for seven years in Toronto, where she filmed the TV series “Suits.”

It is also unclear who would pay for their personal security and what the immigration and tax status would be for the couple. Harry’s grandmother, the queen, is technically head of state in Canada, a Commonwealth nation.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau has spoken warmly about Harry and Meghan, but has said there are questions to be addressed.

“Discussions are continuing and I have no update at this

time,” Trudeau said Tuesday.

The country’s leading newspaper, The Globe and Mail, wrote in an editorial last week that senior royals were welcome to visit Canada but should not stay because a royal living in Canada does not accord with the longstanding nature of the relationship between Canada and Britain, and Canada and the Crown.

The paper said it would break an “unspoken constitutional taboo.” But The Globe and Mail published another editorial on Monday that said while a senior member of the Royal Family setting up shop in Canada “doesn’t accord with what Canada has become,” Harry is no longer a royal so the problem is solved.

# As virus spreads, anxiety rises in China and overseas

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**DAKE KANG**  
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*Associated Press*

WUHAN, China — Face masks sold out and officials at airports and train stations checked passengers for fevers as China on Tuesday sought to control the outbreak of a new virus that has reached four other countries and territories and threatens to spread further during the Lunar New Year travel rush.

Anxiety grew both at home and abroad after Chinese government expert Zhong Nanshan confirmed fears on state television late Monday that the new type of coronavirus can spread from human to human.

Six people have died and 291 have been infected in China, the National Health Commission said Tuesday.

The stock prices of some companies that sell masks rose Tuesday, but markets fell in much of Asia as investors worried about the potential impact on tourism and the economy.

Concerned about a global outbreak similar to SARS, another coronavirus that spread from China to more than a dozen countries in 2002-2003, numerous nations have adopted screening measures for travelers from China, especially those arriving from Wuhan, the central city where the virus appears to have originated.

Guards at Wuhan’s airport pointed electronic thermometers at travelers. Several online retailers were sold out of masks, which were being sold for more than 10 times their original price. Users of the popular Weibo social media platform urged others to wash their hands and stay home.

Outside the Wuhan Medical Treatment Center, where many of the coronavirus patients are receiving care, several workers were dressed in full-body biohazard suits, supplemented by goggles, masks and plastic wrapped around their shoes.

While many wore masks in Wuhan, streets were far from deserted and people appeared to be carrying on with their regular activities.

“I’m not that worried,” said Helen Cao, a Wuhan resident who was shopping on a downtown avenue lined with stores and full of pedestrians. Like many in the city, she began wearing a mask after hearing Zhong’s assessment of human-to-human transmission.

“Maybe people from other places are more concerned about our health, but (Wuhan) locals actually are continuing to eat, go out and take strolls, go clubbing at night,” Cao said. “Everything’s very normal, everyone’s just wearing masks, nothing more.”

Initial symptoms of the new coronavirus include fever, cough, tightness of the chest and shortness of breath.

The first cases late last month were connected to a seafood market, and transmission was thought to be occurring from animals to humans. Authorities previously had not confirmed human-to-human transmission.

In addition to 258 cases in Wuhan, more than 20 have been diagnosed in Beijing, Shanghai, Guangdong province in the south and Zhejiang in the east. Four cases have been confirmed overseas among Chinese travelers in South Korea, Japan and Thailand. A Taiwanese businesswoman who just returned from Wuhan tested positive for the virus, Taiwan’s Centers for Disease Control reported Tuesday.

Fifteen medical workers have also tested positive for the virus, the Wuhan Municipal Health Commission said.

Two cases in Guangdong were people who had not visited Wuhan but fell ill after family members returned from there. Zhong cited those as evidence the disease had spread between humans.

Australia, Japan, South Korea and the U.S. were among the countries increasing airport screenings. Three weekly direct flights from Wuhan to

Sydney will be met by border security and biosecurity staff for assessments, chief Australian medical officer Brendan Murphy told reporters.

“Please take every possible precaution,” Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe instructed the health minister and other government departments.

The coronavirus family includes those that cause the common cold, but some found in bats, camels and other animals have evolved into more severe illnesses like SARS, or severe acute respiratory syndrome, and MERS, Middle East respiratory syndrome.

The possibility the virus can be transmitted between people increases the chances it could spread faster and more widely. The Chinese government has estimated people will make around 3 billion trips during the Lunar New Year travel season, but some social media users have said they may stay home due to concern about the virus.

In his first public remarks on the illness, Chinese President Xi Jinping instructed government departments to promptly release information on the virus and deepen international cooperation.

When SARS began infecting people in southern China, the Chinese government initially tried to conceal the severity of the epidemic, which ended up killing nearly 800 people. The cover-up was exposed by a high-ranking physician.

Gabriel Leung, dean of medicine at the University of Hong Kong, said Chinese authorities have responded much more quickly this time.

“Our underlying assumptions are the force of infection is very different now ... because so many public health measures have been undertaken and so many interventions have been executed,” Leung told reporters at a briefing.

Leung, who was heavily involved in the response to SARS, said modeling shows that cases will multiply over the coming weeks but the outbreak will gradually lose momentum as precautions take effect.

For the moment, the new coronavirus appears to be far less lethal than SARS.

“Based on current information, an animal source seems the most likely primary source of this outbreak with limited human-to-human transmission occurring between close contacts,” World Health Organization spokesman Tarik Jasarevic said at a briefing.

“Based on current data, some new cases seem to experience milder diseases which is within the milder end of the spectrum of symptoms caused by respiratory illnesses,” Jasarevic said.

Chinese foreign ministry spokesman Geng Shuang pledged rigorous measures to tackle the virus.

“We will resolutely contain the spread of the epidemic,” Geng said.

Surgical masks were mandatory Tuesday at Beijing United Family Hospital, where all visitors had their temperatures taken at the entrance.

At one pharmacy in Shanghai, a shopkeeper named Liu Zhuzhen said more than 100 people had bought masks by midday. They were already sold out despite having recently been restocked.

3M, an American brand popular in China for anti-pollution masks, was sold out of masks on its official online stores on e-commerce platforms Taobao and JD.com as of Tuesday afternoon. Other retailers were selling 3M masks at a markup, including for as much as \$7 a mask. Websites that track online pricing show the same masks used to sell for 53 cents each.

State broadcaster CCTV quoted Wuhan Mayor Zhou Xianwang urging limitations on travel.

“Unless it’s necessary, people outside should not come to Wuhan, and citizens of Wuhan should not leave the city,” Zhou said.



